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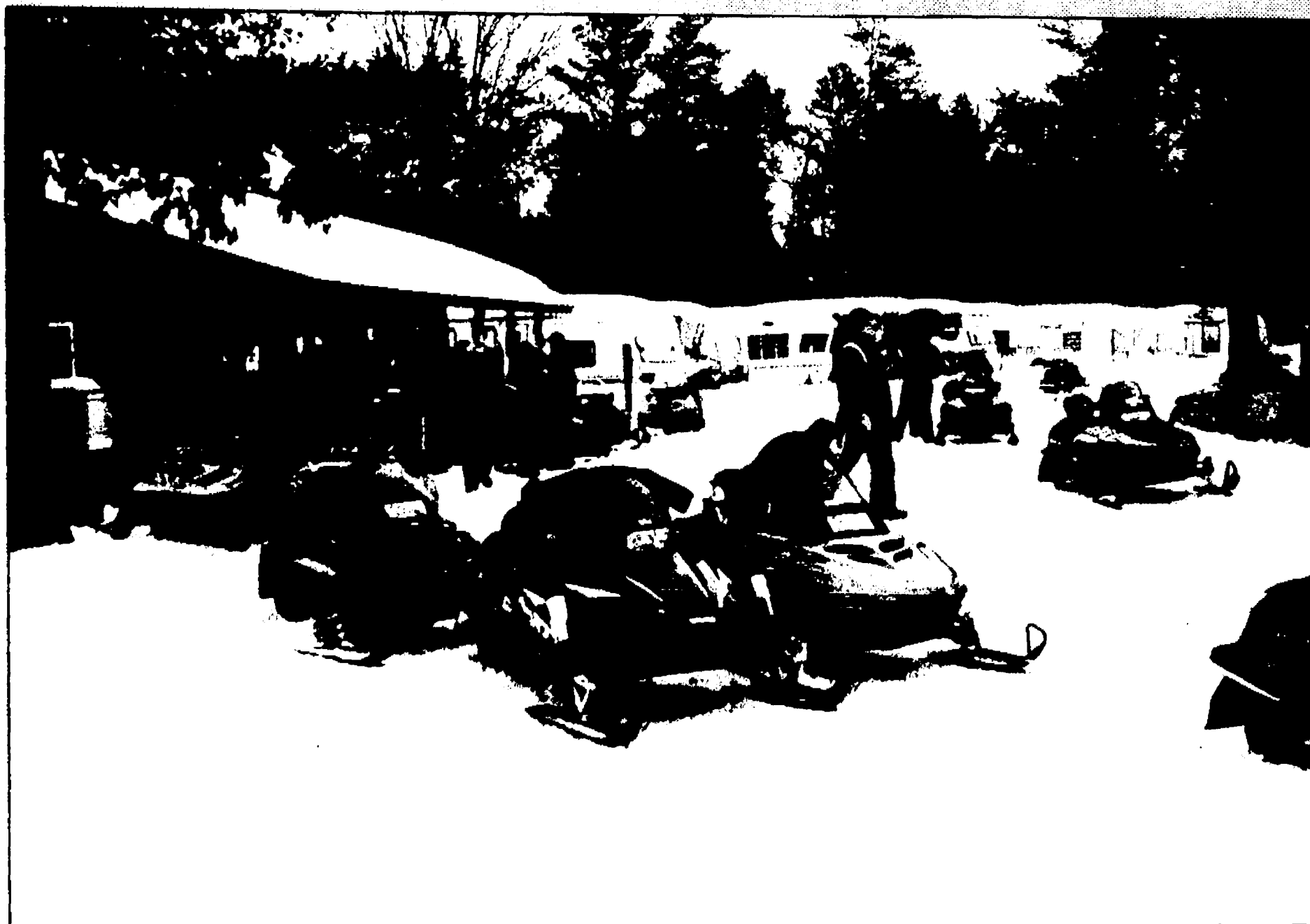


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## First annual Winter Snowmobile Blast



**WINTER FUN FOR EVERYONE**--Members of the Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association celebrated their sport on Saturday, Feb. 10 at River Park Campground with the first annual "Winter Blast." Snowmobilers from the club enjoyed games, snowmobile rides, races, good food and good friends. The Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association promotes safe, recreational snowmobiling in Crawford County through trail development and grooming programs and through snowmobile education programs for kids.

## Agreement near in landfill lawsuits

By Terry Wright  
News Editor

Attorney Peter Gustafson, representing Crawford County in suit/countersuit actions against City Environmental Services Inc. of Waters (CESW), has announced that an agreement may soon be reached which could allow both parties to drop their legal actions.

CESW is suing the county for \$22 million dollars for an alleged breach of contract in the purchase of the former Crawford-Otsego Landfill.

Crawford County is suing CESW for allegedly violating the county's solid waste management plan by accepting trash from counties not authorized in the plan. Crawford County asked the court to grant penalties of \$10,000 per day for each day CESW has been in violation.

Gustafson, of the Grand Rapids law firm of Warner, Norcross and Judd, announced on Friday, Feb. 9, that the two litigants have had, "meaningful settlement dialogue."

"Our overall objective has been to explore a basis to resolve disputes and conclude lawsuits on a mutually acceptable basis," Gustafson said.

Although Gustafson would not reveal more of the dialogue, he did say that all elements of the dispute must be resolved. That probably means in order for CESW to drop its suit, an expansion amendment to the solid



PETER GUSTAFSON

waste plan must be approved, and in order for the county to drop its suit, CESW must not violate that plan.

Gustafson would not discuss other possibilities which may be part of an agreement.

"It is in the interest of both parties to pursue a resolution with dispatch," Gustafson said. "It may only be a matter of weeks."

He also said if the suits are not dropped and the suits go to court, both sides of the issue have good cases.

## Pontiac Fiberboard still under development

By Terry Wright  
News Editor

Entrepreneur businessman Volker Stockman, president of Pontiac Fiberboard Limited, recently presented a progress report on his proposed \$135 million wood products complex originally scheduled to begin production in July of next year.

A group of local and regional business people and government representatives met with Stockman on Thursday, Feb. 8, at the the Irongate Restaurant in Grayling. Stockman reported on wood supply, markets, site, financing and environmental

processes. He also asked the Crawford County Economic Development Fund for \$25,000 to be used for the basis of a two-to-one grant that is available from the Michigan State Research Fund. The grant would be used for a study, in conjunction with Michigan Technological University, to determine how the specific gravity of the woods he is proposing to use in his Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL) product.

He said, "No one has ever made LVL from red pine and maple. There is no information anywhere on the suitability of red pine and maple for

LVL."

He explained that the pilot manufacturing test in the study would be done in Finland and that the test results would remain under the ownership of the Crawford County Economic Development Fund.

The Crawford County Economic Development Fund members are expected to discuss his request at their next scheduled meeting.

Stockman said he has come to an agreement with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources on a price to purchase a 640-acre parcel of land on the north side of Four Mile

Road adjacent to the Grayling Generating Plant. The final approval of the sale is expected to take several more months at which time Stockman said he will take a six-month option to purchase if he is not ready to begin construction.

Stockman is planning a two phase project which will provide up to 310 new jobs and a yearly injection of \$45 million into the local economy. Phase one includes the LVL plant. Construction on phase one was originally scheduled to begin in April, but delays have pushed that date back a considerable amount of time. The second phase is a particle board plant originally scheduled to begin production early in 1998.

To get his project off the ground, Stockman had earlier asked for community participation for what he called, "sharing the risk." He asked for a loan of \$25,000 for a feasibility study of the proposed tract of land.

Grayling Township accommodated his request, funding the study through Wilcox and Associates of Cadillac. Grayling Township retained ownership of the study in the event Stockman is unsuccessful in getting his project off the ground. The Wilcox study conclusion was that the site is positively suited for heavy industry such as Stockman's proposal.

Stockman said his main concern is, and has been, convincing the two public land owners, the U.S. Forest Service and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), to release more acres of timber for harvest,



VOLKER STOCKMAN

especially forest service redpine from Michigan. Stockman has repeatedly said if the redpine harvest cannot be increased from its current rate, Pontiac and Huron national forests in

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## CEAAG contempt motion dismissed

By Terry Wright  
News Editor

Circuit Court Judge Richard Pajtas has dismissed a motion filed by Citizens for Environmental Awareness and Accountability in Government (CEAAG), and by citizens Carl Partello, Norman Bancroft and Dean Welch, to show cause for contempt on the part of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, the Building Authority of Crawford County and the Crawford County Sheriff.

The judge had been asked to rule on three charges of contempt, but was asked at a Jan. 2 hearing to delay action until CEAAG could hire an

attorney to represent their cause.

Pajtas granted 30 days, but when no attorney appeared on behalf of CEAAG, on Feb. 2, he dismissed the motion.

The contempt charges included:

1) That Crawford County Sheriff David Lovely is in violation of a November, 1994, court ruling by holding the office of sheriff and also hold a position on the county building authority. At the time of that ruling, Lovely resigned his position on the authority, but has since been named as Grant Administrator of money given to the authority to offset some of the costs of building the new Crawford County Correctional Facility.

2) That the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was in contempt of a court ruling that the county must provide commission meeting minutes to the public at no cost when those minutes are not published in the local newspaper.

3) That contaminated soils at the construction site of the Crawford County Correctional Facility were not cleaned up in accordance with guidelines from the Michigan Environmental Protection Act.

Pajtas was appointed to the case by the Michigan State Court Administrative Office as a visiting judge from his home circuit in Charlevoix.

## AuSable Primary is on schedule, but alternative plans are made

By Linda Sherwood  
Staff Writer

Construction on the AuSable Primary School is continuing despite the brutal winter weather. During the past two weeks, workers have been able to work only two of the ten days due to the weather.

This week workers will be finishing the outer walls of the AuSable Primary School and will begin work on the inside walls, according to Kent Reynolds, superintendent of the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD). As soon as the inner walls on each of the four sections is complete, the roof will be installed on that section.

Currently, Reynolds said plans are for the AuSable Primary to be finished in time for the start of the Fall 1996 school year. Contingency plans, however, are being made in case the deadline can't be met.

"That was an ambitious schedule to begin with," said Reynolds of the August 1996 deadline for the completion of the new school.

"It still is possible that it'll be ready, but the chances are diminishing," he said. "We still may make it. The last two weeks weather has been a killer for us." Reynolds stated if the winter had been similar to last year, the school

would be finished on time.

The final decision of whether or not the school will be open on time for the next school year is going to be delayed as long as possible, said Reynolds.

"By Spring vacation, we should have a fair idea," said Reynolds. "We will definitely know by the end of the school year."

In the event the school is not ready to open in August, students will move into the new school as soon as it is finished. Reynolds stated they would not wait for a specific time such as the end of a semester or the next school year.

When approving the plans for the AuSable Primary, the school board

approved 1500 square feet more than what was budgeted for originally. That additional space put the AuSable Primary project over budget by \$125,000 to begin with, at least on paper.

Actually the project isn't and hasn't been over budget, said Reynolds. There is over \$200,000 built into the budget as part of a contingency fund that would cover those types of expenses. In addition, the school board approved the transfer of \$100,000 earmarked for technology into the construction of the new school.

Another \$105,000 is still left over from the amount budgeted for land acquisition for a playing field near the middle school. The school currently

owns the center of the block on which the central office is located. This is the area of the new playing field for the middle school.

Two lots owned by the school district on the corner of Chestnut and Ottawa will be turned into a parking lot that will hold about 50 cars, said Reynolds. In order to provide the space for the playing field and parking lot, the school district is moving one home and demolishing three others.

Viking Stadium and the Donald Ferguson Athletic Field will not see any action until the Fall of 1996. Most of the work will be completed this summer, said Reynolds. That section

of the project includes building the concession stand, restroom, press box, paving the bus parking lot and building an AUTOCAD lab and publications lab in the high school.

The timeline for remodeling the Grayling Elementary School and the Frederic Elementary School is still up in the air. A large part of the projects at those locations cannot be completed until those schools are no longer needed for the extra students. For example, Grayling Elementary will receive some renovation to add to the office space.

The renovation cannot begin, however, until the space is not needed as classrooms.

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## Pontiac Fiberboard development

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Fiberboard cannot succeed.

Although Stockman could not announce any definite progress with the forest service, he did say, "I have an understanding the federal forest service will come to some kind of compromise."

Stockman reported on the market outlook for his three products saying he is expecting the particle board market to be "outstanding soon."

He said he will have no difficulty with bank financing. "The situation is good. Banks are chasing projects, but banks and investors are very fickle. They are looking for us to bring in a

partner. I'm working very hard on that."

Stockman also announced that his complex will include several controls designed to reduce the amount of volatile organic compounds (VOCs or smog) that will be released into the atmosphere. He said he will incorporate low-temperature drying methods, cyclone dust collection, a wet electrostatic precipitator and a state-of-the-art biofilter.

"Pontiac Fiberboard will become a worldwide showcase using the best available control technology," Stockman said.

According to Stockman, the biofiltration system which uses bacteria that eats VOCs, can't be totally designed and built before the manufacturing process begins. He said, with the permission of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Pontiac Fiberboard will probably exceed minimum state emissions standards for a "short time."

He also said there is no available technology that can eliminate a harmless steam plume from being emitted from the plant's smoke stacks.

"If that is objectionable, then the project can't proceed," he added.

## Assistance available for higher bills

The arctic cold front that frosted Michigan, will likely affect the energy bills of Consumers Power Company customers who used record-setting amounts of natural gas and electricity. For customers having financial difficulty keeping their homes warm this winter, help may be a phone call away.

At 9 a.m. on Feb. 3, Consumers Power customers set a new all-time hourly record for natural gas demand, when the utility delivered 140.6 million cubic feet of gas to their homes and businesses. In addition, strong electric demand on Feb. 1, drove Consumers Power's electric system to a February hourly peak of 5,513 megawatts for the hour ended at 8 p.m.

"During these bone-chilling February days, we are concerned that our customers stay warm and safe," said Michael G. Morris, president and chief executive officer for Consumers Power. "While Consumers Power provides low-cost energy rates, we understand that some customers may need help meeting unanticipated heating costs. We encourage those customers to contact us for assistance."

Energy bill assistance programs include:

- Settlement agreements, available for customers requiring a payment plan;


- The Winter Protection Plan, which protects low-income customers and all seniors age 65 and older from

service shutoff Dec. 1 through March 31. Low-income customers pay 7 percent of their estimated annual bill plus a portion of any other amount they owe during the shutoff protection period.

- The PeopleCare Program (operated jointly by Consumers Power and The Salvation Army), which provides for emergency needs such as home heating, food, clothing and medicine. Consumers Power also provides bill credits to help with energy bill payments. Customers can contact The Salvation Army for more information.

For more information on these and other programs, contact Consumers Power at 1-800-477-5050.

**Crawford County Sheriff Department**



## Sheriff Patrol

By Linda Sherwood

For the week of Feb. 6-12

The Crawford County Sheriff Department responded to 93 incidents during the week of Monday, Feb. 5 to Monday, Feb. 12. The incidents ranged from a bomb threat to men urinating in public.

A breaking and entering was reported on Wednesday, Feb. 7 on North Weaver Road at around 4 p.m. The door had been kicked in on the residence.

Two snowmobile trailers were stolen on Wednesday. A 1991 Karawan was reported stolen from the area near Fay's Motel at about 10 a.m. At 1 p.m. a trailer was reported stolen from River Park Campground. The second trailer was relocated shortly after the report on Hartwick Pines Road.

A residence on Edgewater Lane reported a break-in on Wednesday. This is the second time the residence has been broken into recently. An owner of a cabin reported a break-in on Twin Peaks Road.

On Thursday, Feb. 8, four men were found urinating behind the Subway of Grayling at around 10:30 p.m.

A 6-year-old reported missing on Friday, Feb. 9 was found. The youngster had taken the wrong bus.

On Saturday, Feb. 10, Glen's Market reported a bomb threat at around 9 p.m. The sheriff department assisted Grayling City Police with the incident. Police Chief Peter Stephan was unavailable for comment at press time. Glen's was evacuated for approximately one hour. Officers did not find anything in the store. The investigation is continuing.

There were 16 accidents during the week and seven accidents involving deer. There were also three snowmobile accidents.

Sheriff deputies also investigated two public peace disturbances, six family trouble incidents, five suspicious situations and 24 general, noncriminal incidents.

## RSVP HAPPENINGS

By Gloria Mologianes

I would like to take this time to explain to any of you who are not aware of what RSVP is all about, and just what we do. We are the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, hence RSVP. We are like a job service for volunteers. We place our volunteers in areas of interest to them, in various non-profit agencies around our communities. We call these places stations. Some of the stations we have in Crawford County are the Crawford County Commission on Aging, which is also our sponsor, Mercy Hospital, Crawford AuSable Schools, just to name a few.

Our volunteers are all 55 years of age or older. Between Crawford and Rosecommon counties, we have approximately 370 volunteers. We help to defray the cost of volunteering by providing excess personal and automobile liability insurance. One of the most important things we do is to provide recognition for our volunteers. Though, if you were to ask any of our volunteers, this is not the most important thing to them. They do what is asked of them and don't expect anything in return.

This is what makes our job in the office such a wonderful one. What better job could a person have than helping people to help others. Whenever a volunteer stops in the office to see us, one of the first things we do is to give them a big thank you. They are very special people. I wish I had the room and the time to list everyone of them so you would know exactly who they are, but that isn't feasible. Most of them would not want you to know. They are very modest sometimes about what they do. They feel it just has to be done and it doesn't mean they're special for doing it. I hate to have to tell them, but they are very special people. Thank you.

## Class of 1976 needs addresses

The Class of 1976 is planning their 20th class reunion and are looking for addresses for the following people: Jackie Lange, Delbert Nelson, Teal Wooley, Troy LaMotte, Mike Hamilton, Bob Hudson, Jerry Dixon, Herman Miller, Ken Helmick, David Jochims, Pat Gikner, Mary Fender, Thea Youngs, Penny Winslow, Cindy Steinbrink, Beth Moody and Cheryl Martin.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

## Family series will help youth make right choices

The Right from Wrong campaign is coming to Grayling. Camp AuSable is hosting the popular Josh McDowell seminar. The series features video sessions with the internationally-respected speaker and author, and includes handouts, textbook, opportunities for interactive discussion, and refreshments. Concerned parents and other adults will learn how to equip today's youth for making right choices. The campaign aims to reverse the departure from solid moral values which is eroding today's society at an alarming

rate.

The series will include five sessions on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Feb. 28 and 29, March 6, 13 and 14, each at 7 p.m. The sessions will meet at Camp AuSable on M-72 East.

Space is limited to the first 20 families who apply, therefore advance registration is requested. A \$20 class fee will be charged per family to defray expenses. Participants will receive McDowell's 300-page book *Right From Wrong*, at no additional cost. Register by calling Rex Townsend at Camp AuSable, 348-5491.

## Valentine's Day messages sent to troops, veterans

From Iron River to Charlevoix, and from Chassell to Escanaba, residents all across the sprawling First Congressional District have mailed a message of love and support for the nation's men in uniform.

That message is wrapped in an estimated 1,200 Valentine's Day greetings sent to Upper Peninsula veterans and U.S. troops in Bosnia. The project was launched and coordinated by Escanaba Veterans Counselor Gary Bjorkquist.

"The response was super," Bjorkquist said. "It was more than I expected."

As well as getting cards from individuals, he said, cards have poured in from schools, from Cub Scout and Brownie troops, from Federal Express employees, from the 82nd Airborne Association in the western Upper Peninsula, as well as the Good News Club in Arnold.

A Vietnam veteran, Bjorkquist has drawn on the financial support of Escanaba Chapter 24 of the Disabled Veterans to pay the cost of delivering the cards. No public funds are being used in the program, he said.

He used the First Congressional District offices of Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Menominee, as collection points for cards. These sites had been used in December as drop-off points for a

Christmas card program.

Some cards will be brought to the veterans at the D. J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans in Marquette, and to the Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility in Iron Mountain. However, Bjorkquist said, most of the greetings are earmarked for Bosnia, and he hopes to have the bulk of his shipment on its way by Monday.

Drawing on his own combat experience, Bjorkquist said the cards will be read eagerly and greatly appreciated. When a person is sent overseas by the government, whether on a combat or peace-keeping role, "it's nice to know you're supported," he said.

Stupak said the program taps a basic concern about American troops that is completely independent of the politics of U.S. involvement in the NATO mission.

"Our support for our troops reflects our basic concern for spouses, children and other loved ones, who serve their country in hazardous duty," he said.

Bjorkquist agrees that the wellspring of support reflects basic attitudes and beliefs of the people of northern Michigan.

"We still believe in 'mom and apple pie and the flag,'" he said. "Small town America strikes again."

## It's Pictionary Olympics time again

It's that time of year. Time to get your team together for the 9th annual "Pictionary Olympics." The Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) sponsors the event, with all proceeds going toward the AuSable River Festival Parade.

The Pictionary Olympics will be Friday, March 15, at 7:30 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Teams are encouraged to come dressed in T-shirts and costumes that represent their business or group. Whether it's a business, a service organization, or just a group of friends—everyone can have a team.

It's an evening of fun and entertainment for teams and spectators alike. Teams of four take turns playing

rounds of Pictionary, the game of sketching and guessing. Each team is timed on how quickly they answer the Pictionary clue. The team with the lowest time wins the grand trophy from the GPA. It will make you smile, make you laugh, and tickle your funny bone. If you don't have a team, you can come and cheer one on, or just enjoy for a \$2 admission fee. The good people of the K of C will be ready to serve you with food and liquid refreshment. So hurry and fill out your application today and get in on the fun.

For applications, or more information, call 348-9413 after 6 p.m. and ask for Sharon Klinger. Get your team, mark your calendar, and get ready for an evening of fun.

## Local band returns from second tour



**HELPING A NEIGHBOR**—Howard Taylor, trumpet player for the AuSable River Dixieland Jazz Band, presenting one of the donations received, to Kay Jackson, representative of the St. Lucia Save The Children organization, during a concert at Club St. Lucia.

A temperature of 12 degrees below zero welcomed the AuSable River Dixieland Band members Sunday evening when they returned home from their 1-week concert tour of the southern Caribbean island of St. Lucia. While in St. Lucia, the band performed six concerts at such places as Club St. Lucia, Sandals Resort, Windham Morgan Bay Resort, Pigeon Island National Park and Indies Convention Center. All concerts were well attended and the audiences were more than pleased with the bands' performances.

The purpose of the band's tour was a fund-raising effort to help the St. Lucia Save The Children organization

in their efforts to provide medical and dental services, eye care and education for the many underprivileged children of the island. The band was successful in raising over \$8,000 for this cause.

While in St. Lucia, the band was based at Club St. Lucia, an all-inclusive resort located at Cap Estate, which is on the north end of the island. It is interesting to note that St. Lucia is exactly one-half the size of Crawford County, yet it has a population of 140,000. The capitol city of Castries has a population of 60,000. St. Lucia lies between the islands of Martinique and St. Vincent, about 1,500 miles southeast of the southern tip of Florida.

## Tot swim program openings

The 4-H Tiny Tot Swim program still has openings left for the 3- and 4-year-old swim classes. Classes are held at the Grayling Holiday Inn. The 3- and 4-year-olds attend on Tuesday and Wednesday for three weeks, with the 3-year-olds at 1:30-2 p.m. and 4-

year-olds from 3-3:30 p.m. The cost is \$18 for the first child and \$13 for each additional in the family.

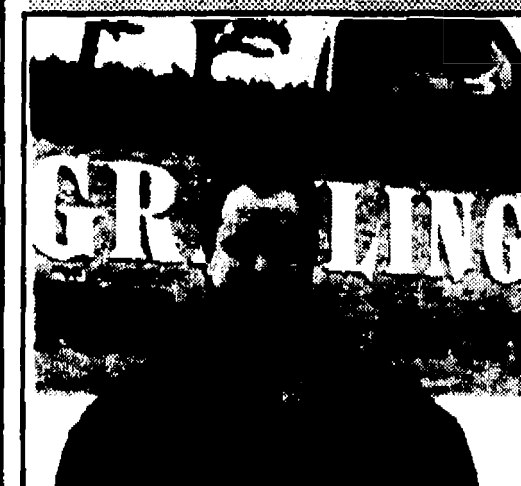
The next session is beginning on Feb. 20, so call the Crawford County 4-H Extension office at 348-2841, ext. 264, to register.

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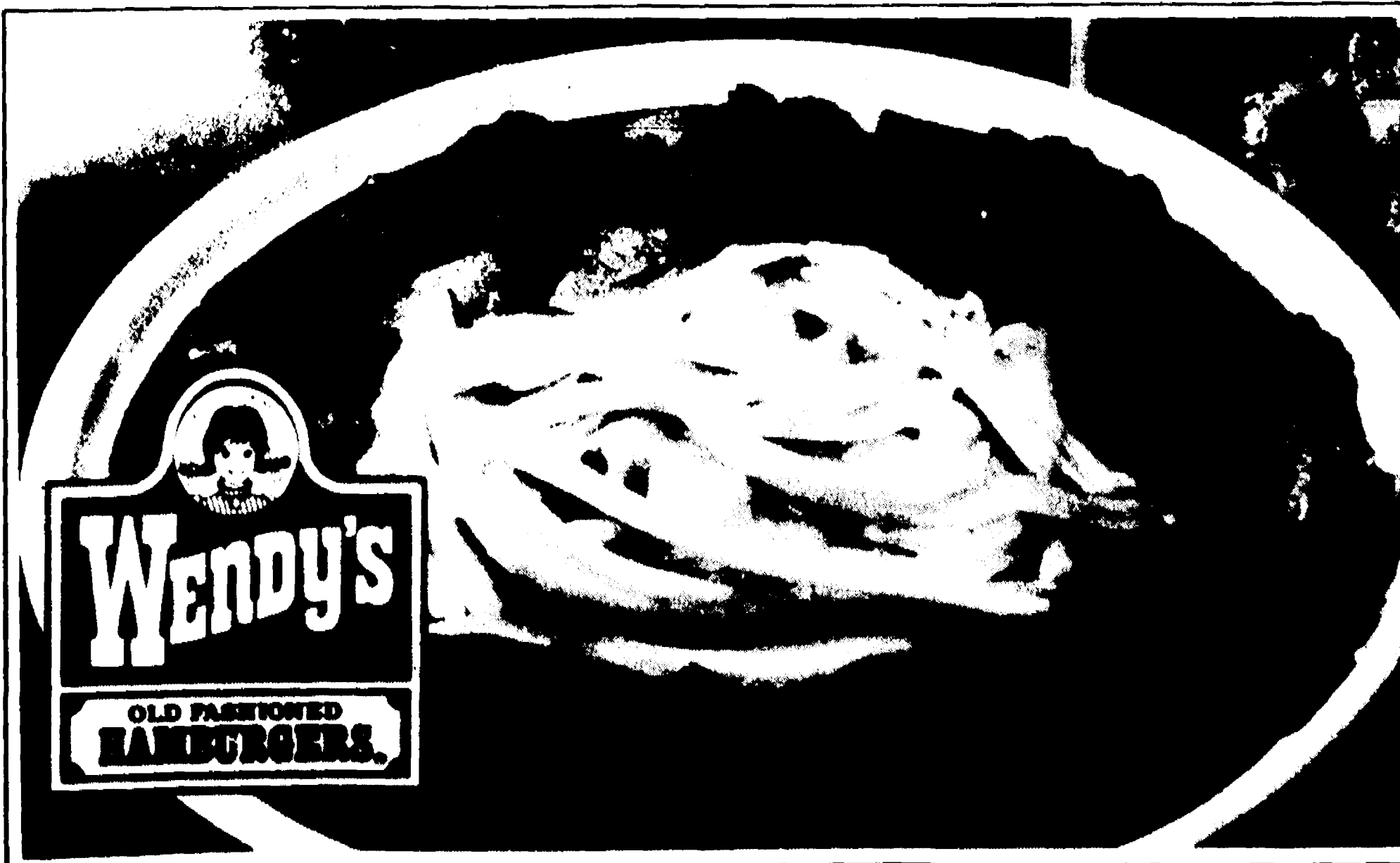
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# ISSUES AND OPINIONS

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Look for pets at your local shelter

To the editor,  
I am writing in regards to the Jan. 18 and Feb. 1 articles on the Animal Control Shelter. As a former resident (class of 1957 and Mercy Hospital employee), I'd like to share some thoughts.

Our beloved pet had died and we were looking for another. The September 1994, local paper carried a picture of a 4-year-old female, spayed black lab-mixed who needed a home. Her trusted family had loved her for a while, for whatever reason, they couldn't keep her. The odds of a 4-year-old dog being placed is not very good. She looked so sad and I felt sorry for her.

Our own Humane Society Shelter is full of lovely animals. Over 17 years ago, I helped a concerned community work hard to get a building and staff to better help our abandoned pets. Many times it has had to almost close and needed more help.

As we visited the Grayling shelter, I could sense the concern and frustration which Dixie Lobsinger and her "right hand gal" deal with. I could also see the hard work and compassion for the animals whose fate was in her hands. It's a hard job. People leaving a pet for her to "find a home." The reality of it all—most likely she can't, she also can't feed and house them indefinitely, it's too costly, so they have to be

killed.

Pets are like children, we have them because we want them. As with children, we are committed to care for them. Not to let someone else do it when they become an inconvenience.

The adoption fee was \$10. The going rate in many places is \$50 to \$80, which includes spaying/neuter, first shots, fecal worming. Most communities have vets that help them out.

There are a lot of responsible pet owners in your community. I would hope that they would take a good look at the situation. See where they can help. Shelters couldn't stay open if it were not for the volunteers. It is not possible for a couple dedicated people to do all the work. Everyone wants animals treated humanely, but it is a big job.

I regret that I can't be counted as a local supporter and volunteer. I encourage you, when looking for a pet, to see what nice animals your local shelter has. Also to see what you can do there.

We are glad that we made the trip to Grayling. Our "Lady" is personality plus, well behaved and loveable. A good companion, which her creator intended she should be.

Carolyn (Barker) Townsend,  
Marquette

### Hospice is important tool of caring

To the editor,  
It is unconscionable that half of all cancer patients in this country die alone, in pain and tethered to life-support machines in hospitals, when there is a caring, humane, comforting alternative available.

For the past 20 years, hospices have helped Americans live their final days in comfort and dignity. The goal is to control pain and other symptoms of disease, and to make sure that no one

dies alone and neglected. Last year, the 19 Hospice of Michigan programs cared for nearly 7,000 patients and thousands more family members of these patients. None died tethered to machines, alone or in pain.

Physicians are learning that hospice care is an important tool they can use to care for their terminally-ill patients.

Sandra L. Jackson,  
Roscommon

### Setting the record straight on animal control

To the editor,  
My thanks to Linda Sherwood for a good article in last week's *Avalanche*. Linda's article presented both sides of the subject fairly. However, there are a few things that were left out.

As stated in Linda's article, in 1994, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners asked me to present a proposal for animal control. I told them that I would have to find 20 hours per week and that the animal shelter was, and would continue to be, my first priority. I am not afraid of work and always do the best job I can.

I found 20 hours and often 30. I worked, on call, seven days a week. I was called numerous times in evenings, rarely charging the county anything. You phoned me at home evenings and on days I tried to take off. I don't believe I was ever discourteous, I did not mind. I answered all of your calls within 24 hours whenever possible. I know I did not please all of you. No one will ever be able to please everyone.

On Sept. 14, while doing my job, I stepped on a piece of wood, breaking my foot. I continued to chase the cattle

until the owner came and took over. I took care of three more complaints before I returned to Grayling, went to Mercy Hospital, and got the bad news.

I appeared at the next commissioners meeting on crutches and in a cast. My wonderful volunteers had come to the rescue and we knew the shelter would remain open, at least part time. I told the commissioners that I believed two of my volunteers could keep up most of the work. They could pick up strays and leave warnings. The sheriff department would have to pick up any legal stuff. Patty Redinger wound up at the shelter the most and wound up doing most of the animal control. Both of them have done a good job. They have answered complaints and picked up animals using their own vehicles and charging the county for no gas.

When the *Avalanche* phoned me after the Jan. 9 commissioner's meeting, I found out I was not doing a good job. I had not worked for four months. I had continued to receive your calls at my home and I had continued to see that your complaints were answered as well as they could be. I still have a broken foot that is not

SOME VERY basic questions are involved in the recent case of an American soldier who refused to serve as part of a United Nations military operation.

Spec. Michael New, 22, was court martialled for refusing to accept his assignment to serve as part of a UN peace keeping force in Macedonia.

Until the New question arose, most Americans probably were not aware that the United States had committed to military support in that former Yugoslav republic.

The UN has been active there since 1993, with US forces an important part of the project.

According to printed reports, the US has provided about half the 1,100 UN troops who have been in Macedonia to prevent the spread of fighting from neighboring Bosnia.

In October, Spec New's number came up and troops from his unit in Germany were sent to Macedonia. That's when the trouble began.

AT HIS TRIAL, according to Associated Press reports, Spec. New said "he was willing to go to Macedonia, but that it was unconstitutional to wear UN gear or answer to the general designated to head the UN operation."

Spec. New became the darling of some conservatives, many of whom have little use for the United Nations anyway.

But should a soldier be permitted to decide which orders he will accept and which he will not?

#### Disclaimer

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County *Avalanche*.

healing.

Patty feels that it may be her fault that I no longer have the animal control job. I know that is not true. She was thrown into the job, always called me to be sure she was doing things correctly, and answered all of your calls. You may not have realized it, because, again, she used her own vehicle and her own gas.

I am appalled at the way the commissioners handled this matter and feel a need to defend myself and my valued volunteers. Patty will continue to pick up animals and answer your calls until the sheriff has his new animal control officer. She will continue to do things in the professional manner that she has been. The Animal Shelter of Crawford County will go on.

We love to hear from all of you, but would appreciate it if you would direct all of your complaints to Central Dispatch at 348-6341 from now on, as we will soon be out of that business.

As for me, tomorrow I visit the doctor once again. I do not believe he will have good news for me.

Dixie L. Lobsinger, Director  
Animal Shelter of  
Crawford County



No man is above the law and no man is below it; nor do we ask any man's permission when we require him to obey it.

Theodore Roosevelt

## ALMANACK By Richard Milliman



### Should Yanks serve under UN?

His military superiors argued at the court martial that such action was a potential "cancer" and could erode military discipline.

On the other hand, a soldier swears allegiance to the United States, not the United Nations. If, as a matter of conscience, the soldier does not believe in subjugating the US to the UN, should he/she be obliged to go along with such an order?

It's a tough call. There are legitimate arguments both ways.

INEVITABLY, politics enters. About 100 members in Congress, including Sen. Bob Dole, back proposed legislation to make it illegal for a member of the armed forces to wear UN insignia.

A few weeks ago, a court martial found Spec. New guilty of disobedience, and ordered a bad conduct discharge.

Predictably, an appeal is promised. Back in the old days, there was no question a soldier would have had to follow such an order, as long as it was

a legitimate military command. To refuse would have invited consequences much more severe than a bad conduct discharge.

That observation is based on personal memory, but that was wartime...that was then, and this is now.

Attitudes are different. More importantly, so is the role of a wartime army as opposed to a peace time "monitoring" military force.

THE LOGICAL approach would be to assign only volunteers to perform in Macedonia and in other places where the US is properly part of a combined UN military operation.

It also is logical that if the US expects other nations to join in combined military efforts in the world's trouble spots, then the US should be ready to shoulder its fair burden, too.

That goes for UN adventures as well as the Bosnian peace force, formed under NATO but under the command of the United States—or for other multi-national efforts for good

anywhere in the world.

It's also logical that the individual soldier should not be expected to go against personal conscience either, as long as it does not undermine the total national effort somehow.

But who ever said military action is logical in the first place. War certainly is not.

NUTS AND JOLTS—Some column closing Nuts and Jolts from Hod Shewell:

—How come the child who is polite, considerate, respects authority, and is a good student always lives next door?

—It's a wise dalmatian who gets out of the house when Mom's using spot remover.

—This winter's cold epidemic gives the druggist a chance to fill his coffers.

—When today's pro athlete has his hands full, it's usually with cash.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

## JIM FITZGERALD

### Doing what's tough is just the easy part

Bob Seeley said he couldn't understand how I can do what I do. That was the same as Albert Einstein saying he couldn't understand how a school kid can do simple arithmetic.

In my well-researched opinion, Seeley is only the greatest boogie piano player extant. Each time I hear him at Charley's Crab in Troy, I'm more knocked out. When Seeley applied his special beat to *Just a Closer Walk With Thee*, my wife had to tell me to wipe the idiotic grin off the back of my head.

Next, Seeley played *Seeley's Boogie*, which he wrote. It's as fine as any boogie number I've heard, including even *Down the Road a Piece*, if you can believe that.

A guy with that much talent, that much ability to entertain, said he was awed by newspaper columnists who can think of something to write about several times a week? Lord, if I could play a piano like Seeley, I wouldn't care if I couldn't write my name.

It's easy to think of something to write about. For example, I read a newspaper article about a Pittsburgh man who was rescued after he "dangled from his belt for about 20 minutes after the hand that he was standing on broke."

Huh? How could that happen? Was the man standing on his own hand, or someone else's?

He was a repairman, repairing a giant non-digital clock on the top of an 8-story building on Pittsburgh's south side. Talk about time on your hands, this guy had feet on the hands of time. Michael Jordan should have such a

colorful hang time.

My idea, speaking of barroom piano music, was to put that hanging man in a timely column constructed around that wonderful old Sinatra song, *One More For the Road*. The opening lyrics are "It's quarter to three, ain't no one in the place except you and me..."

But the article said the hand broke when the clock was set at 3:15 "to create a strong horizontal platform." So how about using my poetic license to set the clock back half an hour, for the sake of journalistic art?

No. Some research-obsessed editor would find me out and revoke my license forever for inviting a lawsuit by implying that Pittsburgh doesn't give its clock repairmen the strongest support possible. A really big hand, as it were.

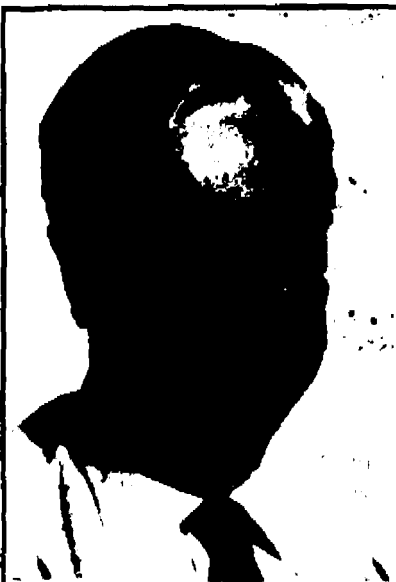
So that column idea died from 30 minutes overtime. Never mind. Another newspaper article said McDonald's opened an outlet in Casablanca, the company's first restaurant in Africa or the Arab world. I lunged for my keyboard and almost automatically typed the following dialogue:

Bogart, to Bergman: "Of all the fast-food franchises in all the world, you had to walk into this one instead of using the drive-thru."

Bogart, to teenager behind hamburger counter: "Flip it again, Sami."

Claude Rains, to Bogart: "This looks like the beginning of a beautiful gourmet strip. We must open a Burger King next door."

But that's all I could come up with, except for Peter Lorre muttering



because he couldn't open a ketchup packet, and Sydney Greenstreet harrumphing because he couldn't fit in a booth. Not nearly enough material to fill my allotted column space.

Tough to do the easy stuff

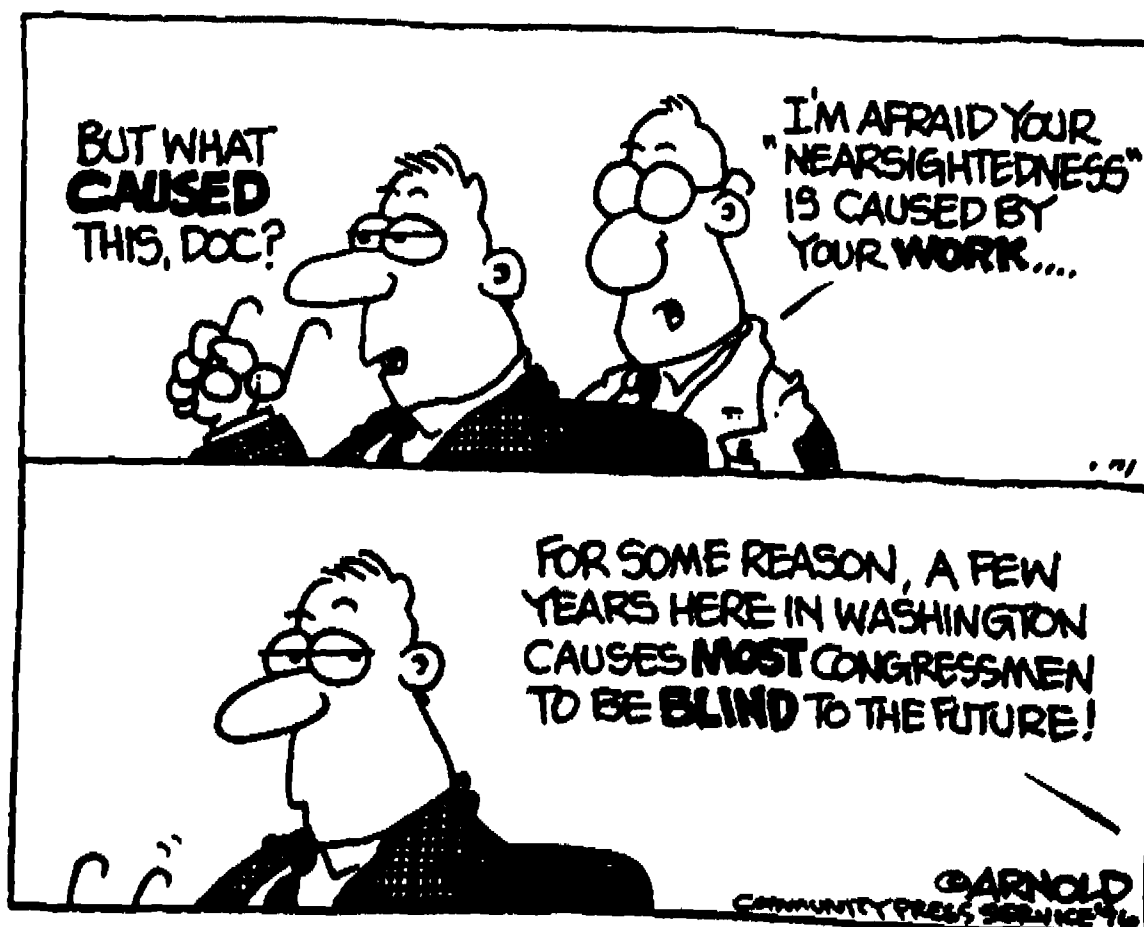
There was still the baseball item, however. It said Seattle catcher Mackey Sasser had to quit catching and move to the outfield because he couldn't throw the ball back to the pitcher.

Honest. Sasser can catch pitches while deadly bats skim his head. He can gun down speedy runners attempting to steal bases. But, because of a mental block or something, he can't do the easiest part of his job. He can't toss the ball back to the pitcher.

So I could write a column about people in other occupations who couldn't do the easiest part of their jobs. A traffic cop who couldn't pull over a parked car. A fire fighter who couldn't blow out a candle.

Or, talk about easy, what in the world would I do if I couldn't make fools of certain politicians?

I'd sit on the bar stool nearest Bob Seeley's piano until a quarter to three, for a closer walk down the road a piece.



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## Lowe, Gernaat present \$91,715 to C.O.O.R.

COOR's School-to-Work local community partnership received a \$91,715 implementation grant on Friday, Feb. 9.

State Representatives John Gernaat, R-McBain, and Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, presented the check at the COOR ISD in Roscommon. The grant, administered by the COOR Area School-to-Work Consortium, provides students with skills essential for successful transition into the work force.

Gernaat said the partnership will be comprised of at least 51 percent private sector representatives, an employer chair and representatives from K-12 and post-secondary educational institutions. It also will include organized labor, community organizations, local government, parent and teacher organizations, and the Job Training Partnership Act "Michigan Works!" agency.

"Such community involvement is crucial as we enter in the 21st century. The students of tomorrow will be challenged by the ever-changing technology of the information age," Gernaat said. "As the old adage goes, it takes a whole village to raise a child. This is truer than ever before."

Lowe said funding for the initiative is provided through the \$49 million School-to-Work grant awarded to the state in 1994 by the federal government. The money is distributed to Michigan's 44 local partnerships over five years.

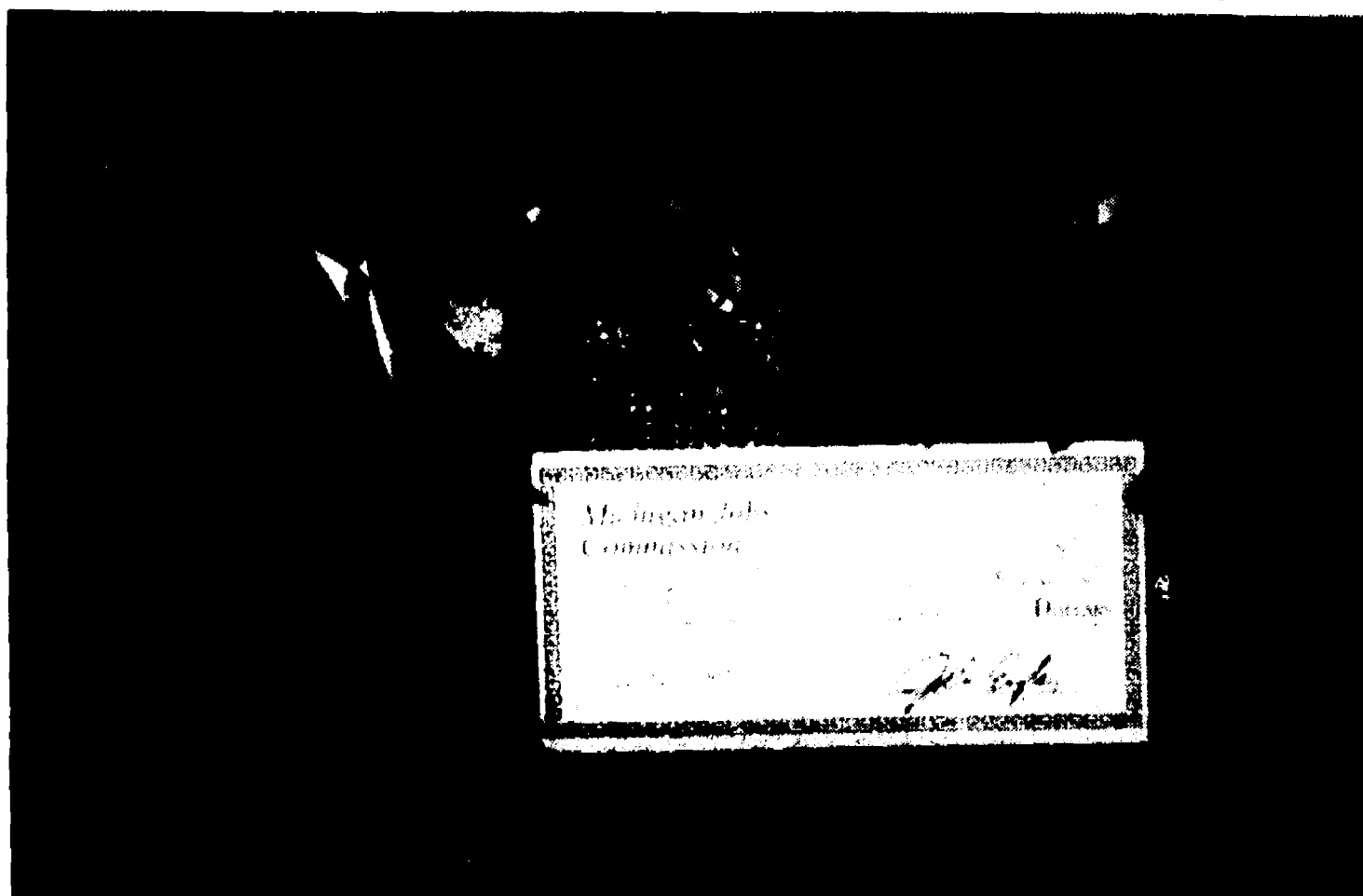
"This is an excellent investment in our future and another key step in the state's economic development strategy," Lowe said.

egy," Lowe said.

Lowe stated he gets phone calls weekly from companies interested in starting a business in the area and one of the questions he is always asked is,

"Is there a trained work force?" He recalled that many of the people he grew up with, received an education and relocated elsewhere. This program can help attract businesses and

keep the work force here, said Lowe. Michigan's School-to-Work initiative is implemented through the Michigan Jobs Commission, the Michigan Department of Education and local community partnerships.



**SCHOOL-TO-WORK RECEIVES GRANT** — Michigan Representatives Allen Lowe (far left) and John Gernaat (far right) presented a check for \$91,715 to COOR's School-to-Work program. Pictured with the representatives are area business representatives participating in the School-to-Work program. Pictured are (L to R) Kathleen Quinlan of Kaywood Publishing, Grant Emmert of Glen's Market, Lois Byrd of the Houghton Lake Roscommon Chamber of Commerce, Vicki Wiley of Tanger Outlet, Jerry Meyer of Grayling Area Regional Chamber of Commerce, Jill Enlow of Northeast Consortium, Dick Coulter of COOR, Dorothy Franke of Kirtland Community College and Dick Rouhart of MESC.

## Local students named as finalists in KCC writing competition

Dr. Julia Berg, president of Kirtland Community College's Foundation has announced the finalists for this year's high school writing competition. The annual competition is sponsored jointly by the foundation and Jack Pine Journal.

In making her announcement, Berg said that once again "the entries demonstrate the talent of our high school students."

The finalists will have their work appear in *The World Today: Creative Visions from the North Woods*, a book which will be published by Kirtland Community College. Melissa Vermeersch, co-editor of the book, said that the title was taken from a poem by Lisa Beck, a student at Fairview High school.

*The World Today* will be published on April 20, in conjunction with Kirtland's "Evening of the Arts." An author's reception will be held at the college library that evening.

Ron Koenig, managing director of the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, said that all students who entered the contest will be honored at a performance of *The Spencers*, the illusionists who will appear on campus that evening.

Local high school writing finalists named include Poetry finalists: Rachel Porter, *If She Doesn't Look Up At Me In Ten Seconds*; Mary Wakeley, *Simply We Met*. Fiction finalist: Deborah A. Schreiner, *From Fate To Free Will*.

Journalism finalists: Sarah Amman, *ARC Plays At The Induction and Former Students Attend Interlochen*; Krista Sue Alef, *Middle Schooler Fights Rare Kidney Disease With Help*; Ken Bolick, *Homerooms Help Inform Students*; Jed Davis, *Grayling High*

*School Receives Report Card*; Jodie Gay, *Free Eats at Project Graduation '95*; and Allison A. Pettyjohn, *Rusty Armor To Open In November*.

## Home Heating Credit/Prescription Drug Credit forms have been mailed

The Michigan Department of Treasury has announced that the Home Heating Credit form (MI 1040CR-7) and the Prescription Drug Credit form (MI 1040CR-9) were mailed to qualified Michigan residents on Feb. 7. The forms were delayed by two weeks due to the federal budget impasse, which has held up funding for the home heating credit.

The amount available in Michigan for the Home Heating Credit Program for tax year 1995, will be approximately \$42-\$47 million. This money will be distributed to about 400,000 qualified households to help pay winter heating bills. The amount each household receives is based on income, number of exemptions and annual heating costs.

The Senior Citizen Prescription Drug Credit is a state-funded program which reimburses qualified senior citizens a portion of their prescription drug expenses. About 35,000 individuals are eligible for this credit.

If eligible taxpayers of either the Home Heating Credit or the Senior

Citizen Prescription Drug Credit do not receive their forms in the mail by Feb. 15, they may call 1-800-FORM-2-ME (1-800-367-6263) and request the form be mailed to them.

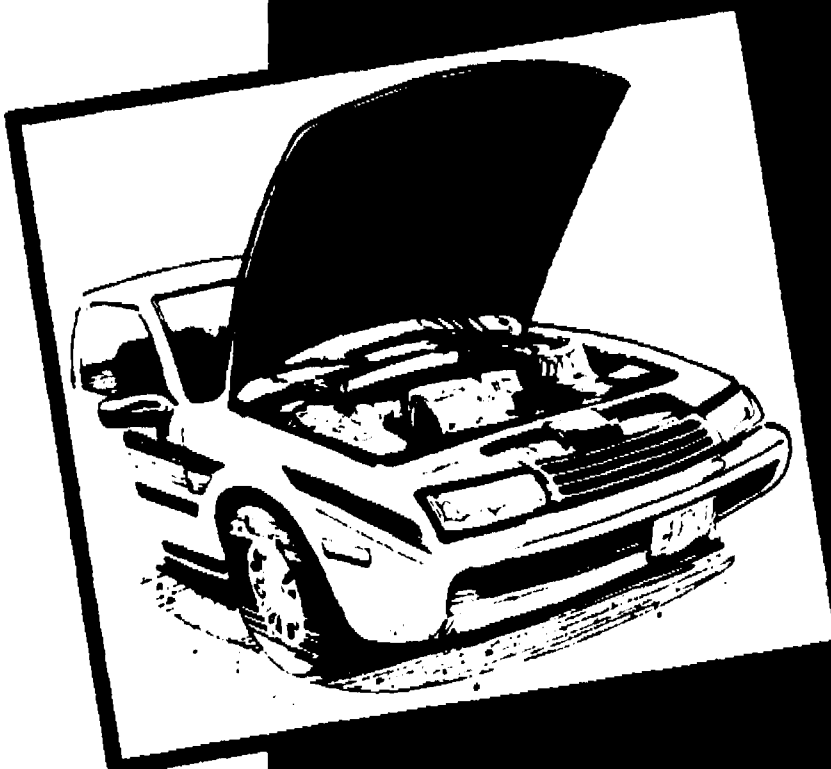
Home Heating Credits will be processed when the Department of Treasury receives the claim. Senior Citizen Prescription Drug Credits will be paid in July or August.

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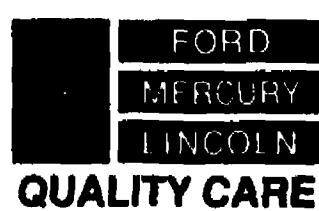
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**FEBRUARY 1996**

Ash Wednesday  
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THURS. 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FRESH BBB VS. ALCONA, 7 pm.</li> <li>VIKING BAND BOOSTERS meeting @ MS band room, 7 pm.</li> <li>TRAVEL &amp; ADVENTURE "Highlands of Scotland" @ HS auditorium, 7:30 pm.</li> <li>TOPS MEETING @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. Call Linda @ 275-9918 for more information.</li> <li>"SOUL SURVIVORS" meeting, a confidential support group to help with the journey of healing after a suicide @ Mercy Hospital gallery room, 6:30 pm.</li> <li>SUPPORT GROUP MEETING for Fibromyalgia &amp; Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome patients &amp; families @ Mercy Hospital cafeteria, 7 pm. Call Laura 348-7423 for more information.</li> </ul>
FRI. 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LAKE MARGRETHE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOC. "Big Fish Contest." Register fish @ Skip's Sport Shop.</li> <li>SCHOOL CLOSED for mid-winter break.</li> <li>BBB VS. ALCONA, home, 6 pm.</li> <li>COA FUNDRAISER PANCAKE SUPPER, 4-7 pm.</li> </ul>
SAT. 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"THE FANTASTICKS" perform @ Kirtland Community College, 8 pm. For ticket information call 517-275-6777.</li> <li>LAST DAY FOR "Big Fish Contest." Register fish @ Skip's Sport Shop.</li> <li>VB @ TAWAS INVITATIONAL, 9 am.</li> <li>COMMUNITY ED. CONCERT SERIES, "U of M Men's Glee Club" @ HS auditorium, 8 pm.</li> </ul>
SUN. 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.</li> <li>COA POTLUCK, 4 pm. Bring dish to pass and tableware.</li> </ul>
MON. 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SCHOOL CLOSED for mid-winter break.</li> <li>FRESH BBB VS. PETOSKEY, away, 7 pm.</li> <li>PRESIDENT'S DAY.</li> <li>AMERICAN ASSOC. OF RETIRED PERSONS meeting @ COA office, 1:30 pm.</li> <li>KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ 12:10 pm, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel.</li> </ul>
TUES. 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BBB VS. ROGERS CITY, home, 6 pm.</li> <li>GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Iron Gate Restaurant.</li> <li>AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON meeting @ Mini Mall race office, 7 pm.</li> <li>AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION dinner meeting @ 6:30 pm. Call Margaret @ 348-6481 for more information. New members welcome!</li> </ul>
WED. 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASH WEDNESDAY.</li> <li>ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon.</li> <li>WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W., weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321.</li> <li>COA board meeting @ Senior citizen center, 5:30 pm.</li> <li>GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY meeting @ Hanson Hills, 5 pm.</li> <li>LIONS CLUB meeting @ Breakers Steak House, 6:30 pm.</li> </ul>

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## How Not to Pray

Public prayer is dangerous and deceptive if it is done to please other human beings rather than God. "And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites [are]: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, they have their reward." (Matthew 6:5) "And He said unto them in His doctrine, Beware of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and [love] salutations in the marketplaces." (Mark 12:38)

Private prayer is our most powerful prayer to God. "But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." (Matthew 6:6) Our closet is anywhere we can feel alone with God.

The pattern of our prayers should be void of vain repetitions and lengthily proportions. "But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen

[do]: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him." (Matthew 6:7,8) As Solomon said in Ecclesiastes 5:2: "Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter [any] thing before God: for God [is] in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few." God is neither deaf or dumb!

A great American well illustrates how God has rewarded private prayer. In an interview with the great inventor of the telephone, Samuel F. B. Morse, George Harvey inquired, "Professor Morse, when you were making your experiments at the university, did you ever come to a standstill, not knowing what to do next?" "Oh, yes, more than once," replied Morse. "Then what did you do?" Pressed for an answer, Morse stated: "I've never discussed this with anyone, so the public knows nothing about it. But now that you ask me, I'll tell you frankly—I prayed for more

light." The reporter then asked, "And did God give you the wisdom and knowledge you needed?" "Yes, He did," said Morse. "That's why I never felt I deserved the honors that came to me from America and Europe because of the invention associated with my name. I had made a valuable application of the use of electrical power, but it was all through God's help. It wasn't because I was superior to other scientists. When the Lord wanted to bestow this gift on mankind, He had to use someone. I'm just grateful He chose to reveal it to me." Now we understand why the inventor's first message over the telephone was: "What hath God wrought!"

God has blessed America through the private prayers of silent saints.

Pastor "B"

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## SS benefits for husbands, dads

If you are a working man, you probably know that you can get Social Security benefits based on your work when you retire or if you become disabled. You may also know that your survivors could get benefits on your Social Security record if you died.

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these spouse benefits because they are more likely to be working and earning over the annual earnings limits for Social Security beneficiaries. (In 1996, the limit is \$8,280 for beneficiaries under 65, \$11,520 for beneficiaries 65-69, and does not apply to beneficiaries 70 or older.) However, the protection is there for those who need to take advantage of it.

If your wife receives Social Security benefits because she is retired or disabled, you can qualify for payments on her record if you are age 62 or if you are any age and have a child in your care who is under age 16 or disabled before age 22.

If your wife is deceased, you can get benefits on her record at age 60, at age 50 if you are disabled, or at any age if you care for her child who is under age 16 or disabled before age 22.

Even if you are divorced, you may qualify for benefits on your ex-wife's record if she receives Social Security

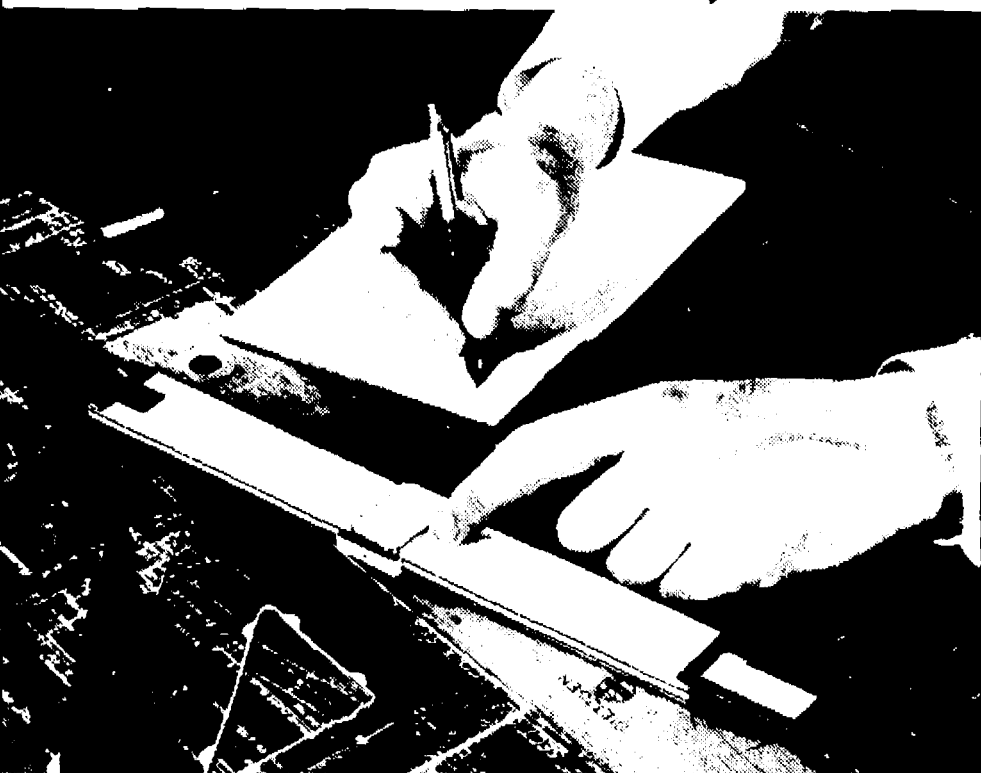
retirement or disability benefits. You must be at least 62 years old, not remarried, and your marriage to her must have lasted at least 10 years. You can even get benefits on her record if she just qualifies for Social Security benefits, but has not yet retired, as long as you have been divorced for at least two years.

If your ex-wife is deceased, you get benefits if (1) you are not currently married, you are 60 years old (or 50 and disabled) and your marriage lasted at least 10 years, or (2) you are any age, unmarried, and have a child in your care who is under 16 or disabled.

If you think you or someone you know may qualify for benefits, or if you just want more information, call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, weekdays from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. The lines are busiest early in the week and month, so if your business can wait, it's best to call at other times. Social Security information is also available on the Internet at <http://www.ssa.gov>.

## Church Directory

### A Halt or a "Hallelujah"?...



Do you sometimes hesitate to begin a project or approach a goal for fear it is out of reach? Then you are not unlike most of us. The deciding factor is that which follows the hesitation. Is it a halt or a "hallelujah"? Only when one tries, is there a chance of success. You must believe in your dreams.

Louisa May Alcott expressed this exquisitely... "Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead."

Your Heavenly Father believes in you. He created us in His image, the very reason we must believe in our potential. Worship God this Sabbath. Feel His presence and His power. Believe in your goals, for they are within reach... as near as your next "hallelujah".

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Exodus 20:1-21	Joshua 1:1-9	Joshua 1:10-18	Judges 4:1-24	Judges 16:23-31	Ruth 1:1-22	Ruth 4:13-22

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# Sportsmen may pay more to hunt and fish

By Molly J. Gudritz  
Capital News Service

Hunting and fishing are popular sports for many Grayling residents, and they are confident that would not change if license fees are increased.

In a bill sponsored by Rep. Bill Bobier, R-Hesperia, license fees would change to a more uniform amount of \$13. The current rate is anywhere from \$9.85 to \$15.85.

Although \$13 would decrease some fees, most fees would be increased.

Fees also would be increased \$1 in 1998, and another \$1 in the year 2000.

"There was such a big variety of differences in license prices," said Ed Hagan, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) program services coordinator. "The whole system grew up in a hodgepodge over time, and historically got all out of whack."

Most residents and lawmakers agree the new fees will not hurt the number of tourists who come to the Grayling area to hunt and fish.

"We always sell quite a few licenses every year," said Skip Madsen, owner of Skip's Sport Shop. "I think people will hunt and fish regardless."

"This is just like the days when the gas prices went up," said Jerry Meyer, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce director. "That did not keep people from doing what they wanted to do and neither will the fee increase. People will still find ways to hunt and fish."

Because Grayling is near the banks of both the AuSable and Manistee rivers, the availability of fishing and numbers of people that come to the Grayling area to fish is unlikely to be a problem.

"This will be one fee increase I think the public will be willing to accept," Meyer said.

While many residents agree the increase will not affect tourism, that does not mean they agree with it.

"The fees need to be justified," Meyer said. "It is worth taking a look at, but I would like to see the DNR use it for beautification and improvement of the land they already have versus using it to acquire more."

One area lawmaker's concerns about the new bill are more local than anything else.

"I don't think this bill will affect the number of people who come to Grayling to vacation," said Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling. "I am concerned about the people who are low-income and won't be able to afford the new rates."

Because the higher fees would provide an approximate 18- to 20-percent revenue increase in the 1996 license year, many residents also are concerned about where revenues from the new rates would go.

"I would have to say that a majority of hunters and fishermen would agree with the increase as long as they could be positive that the profits would go to things like habitat improvement and law enforcement," said Rusty Gates, owner of Gates AuSable Lodge and Pro Shop.

The DNR is putting 100 percent of the revenues from the increased fees into the Game and Fish Protection Fund, Hagan said.

This fund was set up to handle all the revenue that comes in from licenses that are sold. The money in this fund goes to the DNR and is used for law enforcement and habitat improvement among many other things.

There has not been a fee increase of this kind in 10 years, and the DNR believes that with rising costs, it is only fair to raise fees.

Because fees have not been increased since 1986, and there has not been an increase in population or the number of licenses sold, to compete with rising costs, fees must be increased, Hagan said.

The Michigan United Conservation Corps (MUCC) also agrees that the increase in fees is needed.

"We did not support an increase of this kind last year, but the DNR has made a number of changes in their department," said Dennis Knapp, MUCC wildlife biologist.

The DNR has set up a Game and Fish Protection Fund Advisory Committee to monitor where revenue from fees are going. Public town meetings have also been set up in different districts so that citizens can voice their opinions regularly, Knapp said.

"The new bill creates more equity between hunting and fishing license fees," Knapp said. "Especially in the area of junior and senior licenses."

The new bill revises the senior license structure. It provides discounts to seniors of 75 percent for two years, 65 percent for the next two years, and a 50 percent discount thereafter. Seniors now receive free deer licenses.

The junior license structure also would be revised. It provides free hunting licenses for 12- and 13-year-olds—they now pay up to \$9.85.

Junior hunters would be required to take a safety course before obtaining a license.

Under the bill, 14- and 15-year-olds could purchase a restricted license at a discount much like the senior discount. Sixteen-year-olds would purchase a license at full price.

There will be no difference in fees between resident and non-resident youths.

## Breast-feeding class available

Preparing for breast feeding before baby is born is the topic of a community-education class offered through the Obstetrics Department at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

This new class covers basic anatomy and physiology of the breast, how to prepare for breast feeding and how to get started. Instructor Joy Bobenmoyer, R.N., said the class is worthwhile for women interested in breast-feeding basics. It will be offered every six weeks following the lamaze childbirth education series.

The next breast-feeding class will be offered Thursday, Feb. 22, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Riverside Room of Grayling Mercy Hospital. Cost is \$10 and pre-registration is requested by calling Mercy Healthline at 1-800-33-MERCY.

Lowe does not agree with having a junior license fee.

"I believe that we need to let all kids fish for free," Lowe said. "We need to get kids to start fishing when they are young."

The DNR does not see a lot of problems with the new bill, and finds the new fees completely necessary and more practical.

"We see no negatives in this new bill," Hagan said. "We are making many improvements in many different areas here."

Although the DNR finds nothing wrong with the bill, Lowe believes that it still could have a few problems.

"A need for an increase will need to be demonstrated," Lowe said. "I want to look at how this bill is amended because this is quite a jump in rates."

The bill has been sent to the House Conservation, Environment, and Great Lakes committee and is awaiting action.

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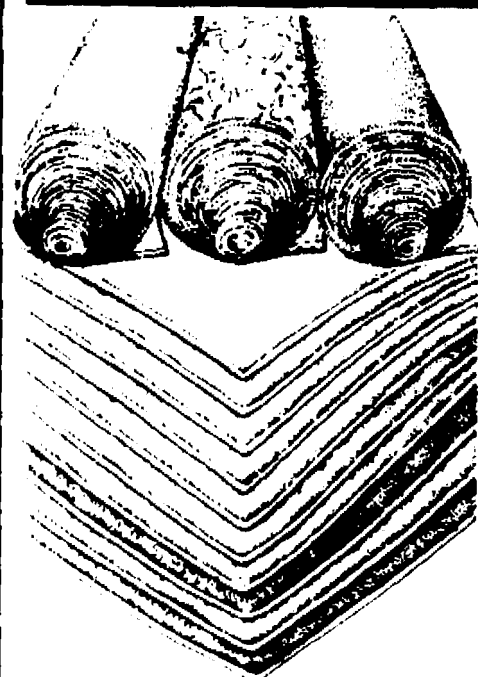
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The University of Michigan Men's Glee Club returns to the stage of the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School, the Crawford AuSable Community Education program, in partnership with Fick & Sons of Grayling, invites you to join Tom Sterling on a captivating journey through the Highlands of Scotland.

Tickets for this performance can be obtained by calling the Crawford AuSable Community Education office

at 348-7641, extension 550 days, or 123 evenings, and cost \$3.50 for seniors and students and \$4 for adults.

The Crawford AuSable Community Education Learning through Music Series is made possible with the generous support of many area businesses and corporations.

## Travel to Scotland at GHS, Feb. 15

On Thursday evening, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m., in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School, the Crawford AuSable Community Education program, in partnership with Fick & Sons of Grayling, invites you to join Tom Sterling on a captivating journey through the Highlands of Scotland.

Doors to the Joseph Stripe Auditorium will open at 6:45 p.m. Tickets at \$4 for adults and \$3.50 for senior citizens and students, will be available at the door.

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## OBITUARIES

### George Ostling

George E. Ostling, 84, of Traverse City, formerly of Roscommon, died Saturday, Feb. 3, 1996, at Burcham Hills Medical Center in East Lansing. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mabel, on Jan. 15, and a memorial service will be held for her and his wife on Friday, Feb. 23, at Messiah Lutheran Church at 1 p.m., with Rev. Vernon Seelye officiating. Burial has taken place at Gerrish Cemetery.

Mr. Ostling was born Sept. 5, 1911, in Roscommon, the son of John and Velma (Skagerberg) Ostling. He married Mabel L. Isenbauer on Oct.

13, 1940, and resided in Roscommon in the home they built, until November 1989, when due to their declining health, they moved to Traverse City.

He retired from the Gerrish-Higgins School System in the early 70s, after many years of service. He was a member of Messiah Lutheran Church.

Survivors include: daughters, Linda and husband Larry Evitts of Laingsburg, and Nancy and husband Stan Kile of Traverse City; son, George Ostling, Jr. of Clinton Township; seven grandchildren; two great-grandsons; brother, Ralph Ostling of Roscommon; and sister, Edna Nunn of East Tawas.

Memorials may be made to Northeastern Alzheimer's Support Group, Grand Traverse Medical Care Facility, or Messiah Lutheran Church.

### Michael Guay

Michael Guay, 52, of Ray Township, died Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1996. Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 10, at 11 a.m., at Potere-Modetz Funeral Home in Rochester. Interment was in Christian Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Guay a member of U.A.W. Local 1292, Grand Blanc, and a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge in Grayling.

Survivors include: wife of 35 years, Delores Guay; son, Michael Jr., and wife Lori Guay; daughter, Janette and husband Dave Wehrley; three grandchildren; brother, Lionel and wife Nancy, and Roger; sister, Diane and husband Larry Sulikowski; aunts and uncles, Larry and Madeline Michel, and Aime and Jean Michel; and many nieces and nephews.

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### Clarence Baughn

Clarence Willis "Bill" Baughn, 74, of Lovells, died Sunday, Dec. 31, 1995, at McPherson Hospital in Howell. Cremation has taken place and a memorial service was held Wednesday, Jan. 3, at MacDonald's Funeral Home in Howell, with Mr. Don Nardin officiating.

Mr. Baughn was born Nov. 9, 1921, in Putnam Township, the son of Earl and Florence (Kice) Baughn. He married Bernice "Dolle" Franklin in Pinckney on Feb. 21, 1948, and she survives.

Mr. Baughn graduated from Pinckney High School in 1940, and lived most of his life in Livingston County. He had been a retail sales clerk at Lavey Hardware Store in Pinckney, and in 1976, purchased Pine Grill in Lovells. He was a member of the National Rifle Association.

Mr. Baughn was preceded in death by one brother, Winston Baughn, and one sister, Betty Seefield.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by sons, James Baughn of Fowlerville, and Robert Baughn of Endicott, New York; daughter, Jeanne Silvermail of Guntersville, Alabama; four grandchildren; sister, Virginia Gilbertson of Las Vegas, Nevada; brothers, Lawrence Baughn of Pinckney and Cornelius Baughn of Las Vegas, Nevada.

### Card of thanks

We wish to thank Almighty God and His Holy Mother, Mary, to the NorthFlight EMT team who responded to our call, to Drs. Korneli and Al Saghir, the team in the ER, the nurses in CCU and 2-North for their patient and dedicated care.

To friends and relatives who were there for us, who sent flowers, cards and who called to express their concern and offered help during our time of crisis, and to all those (you know who you are) who offered many prayers for Paul's recovery. We aren't out of the woods yet, but he's better than he was. May God bless you all.

Paul and Lynda Hetrick,  
Rick and Carrie,  
Sean and Kathryn

### David Snider

David Franklin Snider, 88, of Harrison, died Thursday, Feb. 8, 1996, at the Mid-Michigan Regional Medical Center in Clare. A memorial service will be held Friday, Feb. 16, at 1 p.m., at Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison, with Elder Dale Beavers officiating.

Mr. Snider was born July 11, 1907, in Isabella County, the son of George and Etta (Mussell) Snider. He was united in marriage to Hazel Mavis Snider, who preceded him in death on March 20, 1995.

Survivors include: step-son, Jack Louis Hull of Grayling; step-granddaughters, Pam Hull of Grayling, and Jacqueline Glander of Kalkaska; close friends, Jerry Brady of Harrison, and Don Urquhart of Clare; plus other relatives and numerous friends.

### Fred Kaiser

Fred "Pop" Kaiser, 82, of Frederic, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 1996, at Mercy Manor in Grayling. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 11 a.m., at Peace Lutheran Church, with Rev. Terry Graunke and Pastor Bob Cochran officiating. Burial was in Otsego Lake Township Cemetery.

Mr. Kaiser was born Feb. 6, 1913, in Detroit, and lived in that area before moving to Frederic in 1979. He served as captain in the Military Police from 1941-1946. He was the fire commissioner for Otsego Lake Township for 12 years, and was a member of the Peace Lutheran Church, the Young at Heart Club, the Sportsman's Club, the Historical Society, and the Loomis Battery Civil War Club.

Mr. Kaiser was preceded in death by his wife, Eleanor, on Sept. 27, 1992.

Survivors include: sons, Fred and wife Erika Kaiser of Waters, Skip and wife Therese Kaiser of Grayling, and Gary and wife Deborah Kaiser of Pinckney; and eight grandchildren.

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# DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter, North Higgins Lake State Park

Dedicated to Howard Meadowcroft, retired park manager at Interlochen State Park, who developed a method to turn the outside dimensions of the hubs for a set of Big Wheels as well as a way to bore the tapered home inside the hub for the cast-iron hub cone without the use of a lathe.

In the past, I have written about a variety of transportation modes including canoes, different styles of wheeled vehicles and those using runners. Over the years, I have been involved with the restoration of several styles of horse-drawn wheeled vehicles, and was taught how important careful wood joinery was to the continued life of the vehicle. One wheeled conveyance that seemed to defy all those concepts was the Red River Cart used by my Metis ancestors.

One observer wrote of the 2-wheeled cart that "each cart waggles its own individual waggle, graceless and shaky." This graceless conveyance was designed for the wide variety of conditions it was sure to be subjected to, from bogs and prairie to rock-strewn hills or stumpy forest trails. Cart construction started with two 12-foot

squared poles about 3 by 4 inches. Half of their length was used as shafts for harnessing the ox, while the remaining 6 feet was used to support the crosspieces which were firmly mortised and pegged to the shafts. Upright rails were fitted into holes in the crosspieces and with side and end boards the cart's body was complete.

The 5-foot diameter wheels were the most unusual feature, since in order to provide stability for the cart, they were dished radically. They were dished so much, in fact, that it looked like the fellows were going to part company with the spokes and hub. Any spoked wheel I have had experience with had an iron rim expanded by heat, pounded down over the circumference of the fellows, and cooled rapidly with water to shrink it tightly and permanently into place. The rim or tire on a Red River Cart was made from several pieces of bent oak, 3 to 5 inches wide, fitted loosely together, there was no iron rim. The spaces between the rim sections served as expansion joints to take up shock when the wheel struck an obstacle. The looseness of the construction saved

many a wheel from shattering.

The axle was made of oak or poplar, and in order to stand up to the stress, the cart was subjected to, it was carefully trimmed and adjusted to prevent friction. The axle was attached to the cart frame with heavy strips of wet rawhide, which when dry, shrunk to hold the axle in place. The trails the carts were used on were so rough that as many as five or six axles might be replaced on a single cart during one trip from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to St. Paul, Minnesota. When one broke, another was simply cut from a nearby tree. Broken pieces of a cart were repaired with strips of buffalo hide one-half inch to 1 inch wide, called shanganappi, or narrower strips of deerskin called babiche. Despite what appeared to be sloppy construction, a Red River Cart was not only sturdy, but it was versatile as well. Next week, we will take a verbal ride in a Red River Cart, so hang on.

Remember the Higgins Lake Winterfest will be held at South Higgins Lake State Park on Saturday, Feb. 17, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., so come on down and join the fun.

# MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

Kit and Linda Keeler of Roscommon: Jesse Barden, Feb. 1, 1996, 7 pounds, 6.7 ounces.

Steve and Maribeth Miller of Grayling: Dillon Forrest, Feb. 2, 1996, 7 pounds, 4.3 ounces.

Kevin and Michelle MacArthur of Roscommon: Chad Todd, Jan. 21, 1996, 9 pounds, 2.7 ounces. Norman and Deanna Barth of Houghton Lake: Jessica Hayley, Jan. 27, 1996, 9 pounds, 10.4 ounces.

Terry and Barbara Barker of Luzerne: Terry Andrew, Jr., Jan. 27, 1996, 6 pounds, 5 ounces.

Ronald Larson and Patricia Chambers of Roscommon: Joshua Scott Chambers, Jan. 28, 1996.

# Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

## Deer season stats are in!

The DNR statistics on deer season are coming in, and as many of us expected, the numbers are some of the best ever. The total estimated harvest of antlered bucks exceeded 200,000 for the first time in history. There were an estimated 318,000 deer taken during the firearm deer season ending November 30, by 700,000 hunters.

But this winter is going to take a toll on our deer herd for next year. We need donations for our "Save the Critters" program. Please help by dropping them off at Skip's Sport Shop or the Grayling State Bank.

Don't forget that this weekend, February 16 & 17, is the Big Fish Contest for Lake Margrethe only. A \$25 cash prize will be awarded for the largest fish. Check in at Skip's Sport Shop by 5 pm, February 17. There is no cost to enter, so get out and try to catch a big one.

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The packet will provide community members with educational materials specifically selected to reduce the risk of cardiovascular diseases: stress reduction, smoking cessation, low-fat diets, cholesterol reduction and exercise participation. Other materials included in the packet are recipe-modification information, the American Heart Association Diet, blood pressure reduction tips and reduced-fat recipes.

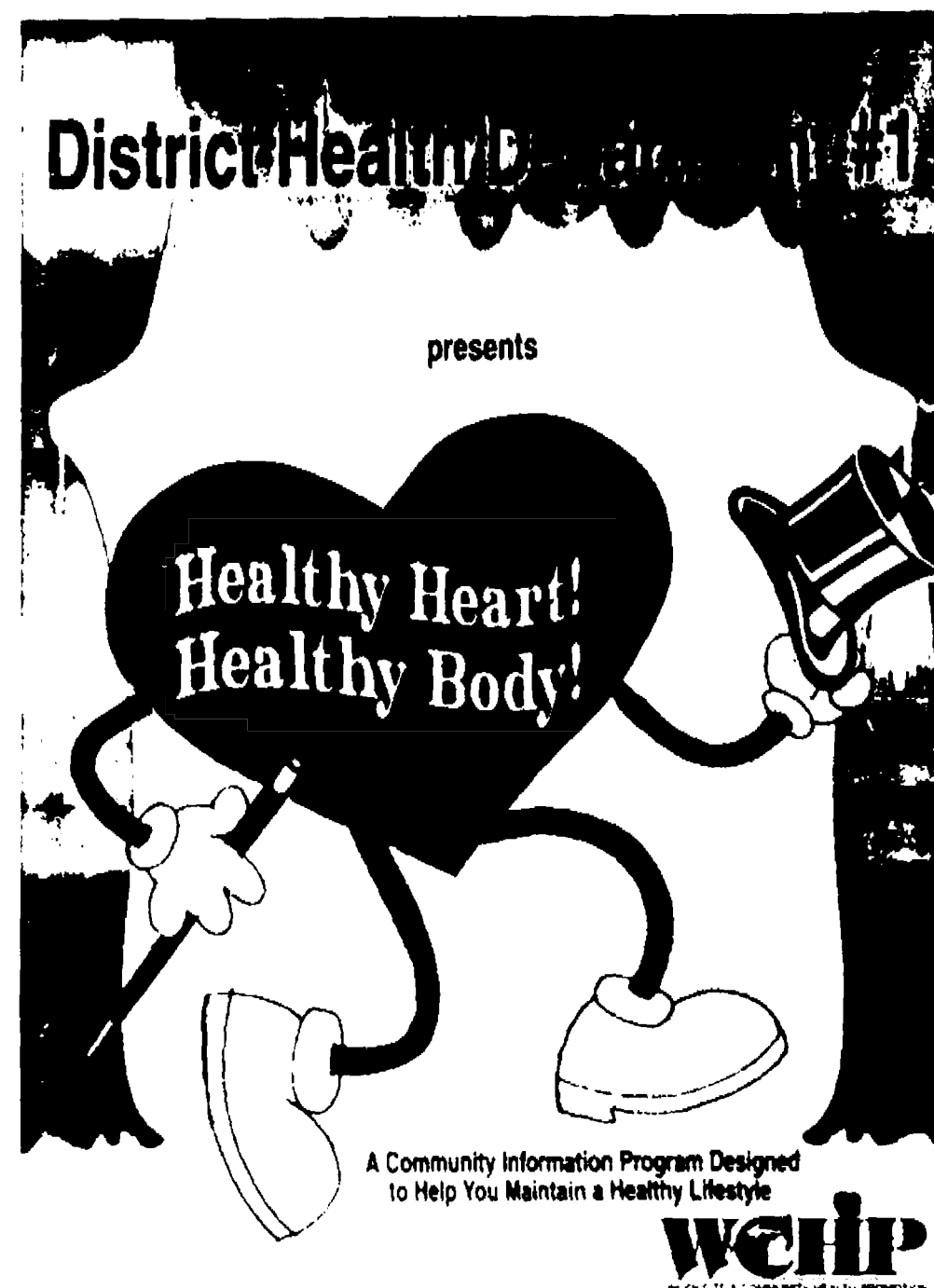
According to Carleen Hubbell, health educator, "The health department receives numerous questions from the public on smoking cessation, low-fat diets and other heart disease-related topics. Obviously northern Michigan residents are concerned about their cardiovascular health. This packet of information attempts to answer all the questions we've received at once and at the same time assists its user in developing a healthier life style."

Any resident who would like a free packet can stop by the health department office and request one. Or call the health department and ask for the information to be mailed to you. Why not give this special message of caring to someone you love for Valentine's Day?

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## A tribute to volunteers

The work of volunteers is what helps keep the community working and growing. Dan Brown, of Lovells Township, wanted to recognize the hard work and effort all volunteers put into the community every day.

Brown plans to walk 27 miles from Grayling to Gaylord on Wednesday, Feb. 14, in honor of volunteers.

Inspired by the self-motivation and dedication of two area families, Brown wanted to do something to honor their hard work. He will be leaving the Hospice office on Huron Street at 7 a.m., heading out onto the I-75 Business Loop. He will continue north on Old US 27 to Waters where he will be joined by social worker, Krista Strait. The pair will then proceed to the I-75 Business Loop in Gaylord. Their walk will end at the Hospice office in Gaylord.

He has been preparing for the walk for four weeks, despite the uncooperative weather. During the walk, he will be followed by Sharon Grendel who will be driving a support van full of nourishment and fluids. Brown plans on averaging three miles an hour, arriving in Gaylord at approximately 5:10 p.m.

While working as a nurse for Hospice of Michigan, which serves Roscommon and Crawford counties, Brown met the Gunderson family of Crawford and the Stead family of Roscommon. He was the case manager and nurse for relatives of both families in 1994-95.

Since then, both families have really taken it upon themselves to volunteer their time and energy. Nancy Gunderson of Grayling, was awarded a plaque for selling the most "hearts" last year. Her husband was cared for by Hospice for several months preceding his death.

This year she has continued her record-breaking pace for selling the hearts, which is a fundraiser for Hospice. For \$1 donation, the donors name is placed on a heart. Gunderson organized a fundraiser at Jones Lake last summer, as well.

The Stead family of Roscommon, have organized their efforts to help raise funds. The parents were both in



DAN BROWN

Hospice care before their deaths. In honor of their parents, the children have gone all out. The family made up lists of businesses in Roscommon, Crawford and even Oscoda counties. They divided the lists and have been able to distribute thousands of hearts to businesses. The family also has gone back around and collected the proceeds.

"I want to try and show respect and gratitude for the volunteers by volunteering my time to do the walk," said Brown.

Hospice and other organizations are always looking for volunteers, said Brown. "I want to add a new dimension to what is generally considered for volunteering. We are only limited by the variety and talents of our volunteers."

The duties of Hospice volunteers, for example, ranges from calling patients and talking to them, which is called a "tuck-in call" to plumbing, snow shoveling, writing letters and more. Anyone 16 years old or older is invited to volunteer. Training is provided for volunteers who can donate as little or as much of their time as they feel appropriate.

For more information about volunteering at Hospice, call Cynthia at (517) 275-8967.

## ENGAGEMENTS



**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED**—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stevens are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Joan Lynn, to Stephen Eddy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Eddy of Kalamazoo. A May 4 wedding is being planned.

## KCC offers therapeutic massage clinic

Kirtland Community College will offer a therapeutic massage clinic twice a month in February, March and April at Mercy Hospital in Grayling. The clinic will be operated by Kirtland's second- and third-semester massage therapy students and offered to Mercy Hospital staff members and to area residents of the community.

The clinic will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Thursdays, Feb. 15 and 29; March 14 and 28; and April 11 and 25. The cost of a 30-minute massage session is \$5. The program will be supervised by Kirtland's massage instructor, Allison Goshorn, and by Mercy Hospital's Sister Jean Umlor.

Goshorn says persons wishing to take advantage of the massage clinic should make a reservation for a specific session by calling (517) 275-5121, ext. 224.

"During the summer and fall months,

our massage clinics are held at the Continuing Education Center on the Kirtland Campus, and not normally offered in the winter. This is a new opportunity for us to not only provide this service to the community during the winter, but also to continue our cooperative working relationship with Mercy Hospital which gives so many of our occupation health students a practical clinic setting in which to learn," said Goshorn. "The administrators and the staff members at Mercy Hospital have been very helpful in providing a location to operate the clinic."

Kirtland offers its students an associate in applied science degree in massage therapy requiring a total of 62 credit hours, and a certificate of completion in massage therapy requiring 35 credit hours.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

During the first week of February, Patricia A. Millikin went to Virginia to visit her two sons, daughter-in-law and first grandchild. Corporal Todd B. Millikin, wife Angie and their week-old baby daughter, MaKayla, are stationed in Quantico, Virginia, for three years with the United States Marine Corp. Son P.R. Troy B. Millikin is stationed in Norfolk, Virginia, for three years with the United States Air Navy. The proud parents and new grandparents are Robert H. and Patricia A. Millikin. MaKayla was born Jan. 11, 1996, and weighed 8 pounds, 14 3/4 ounces.

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## St. Mary's to host World Day of Prayer March 1

The public is invited to the World Day of Prayer, hosted by St. Mary's Catholic Church, 702 Peninsular, Grayling, on Friday, March 1, at 1 p.m.

World Day of Prayer has a special annual theme which has been developed and prepared by women of a different country each year. The theme becomes a prayer drawn from faith, hope, joy, struggle, concerns and sufferings of women in a particular

country. This year's theme is "God Calls Us To Respond," authored by women of Haiti.

Join in prayer with the women and men of the Grayling area and Crawford County, uniting Protestant, Roman Catholic, Orthodox, and other Christian women and men in 170 countries and regions of the world in "informed prayer and prayerful action," the motto of World Day of Prayer. The official sponsor of World Day of Prayer is Church Women United.

Mark your calendars, invite a friend or neighbor, and attend World Day of Prayer at St. Mary's on Friday, March 1, at 1 p.m. For further details, call Rita Sarault at 348-8189.

## GUDA dinner cancelled

The Grayling Uptown District Association's annual dinner, scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 15, and featuring the 1-man show of Bob Bloenk, has been cancelled.

## Deadline extended for Master Gardener program

The deadline to enroll in the Master Gardener program has been extended to Feb. 16.

MSU Extension is providing the Master Gardener program from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Feb. 20, and continuing through April 30. The cost is \$150 per person, and \$200 per household. Instructors for the course will be a combination of university and professionals in their field.

To register, or for more information, contact the Crawford County Extension office at (517) 348-2841, ext. 264.

## Spring home fix-up time is fast approaching!

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- Plumbing
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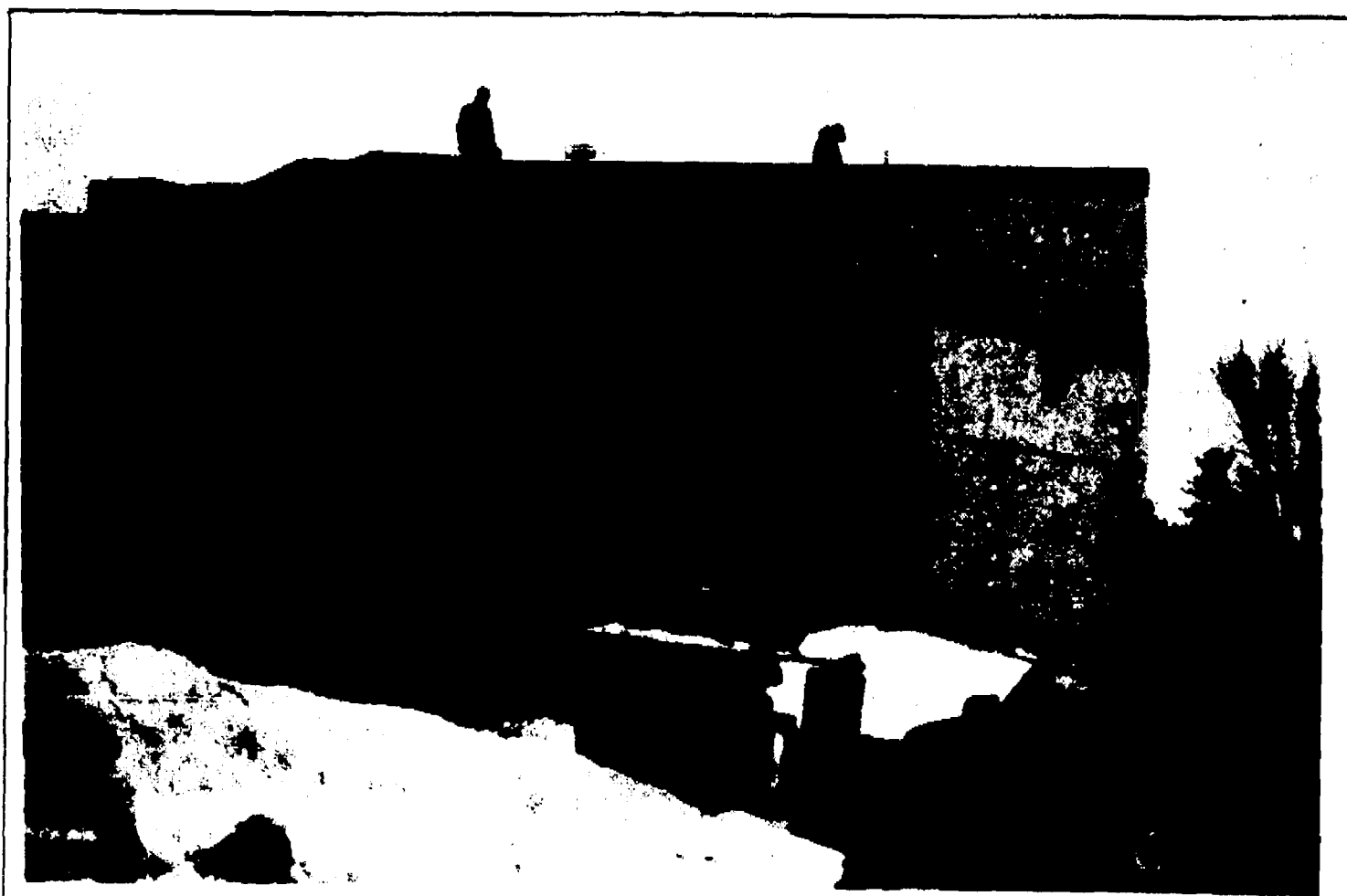
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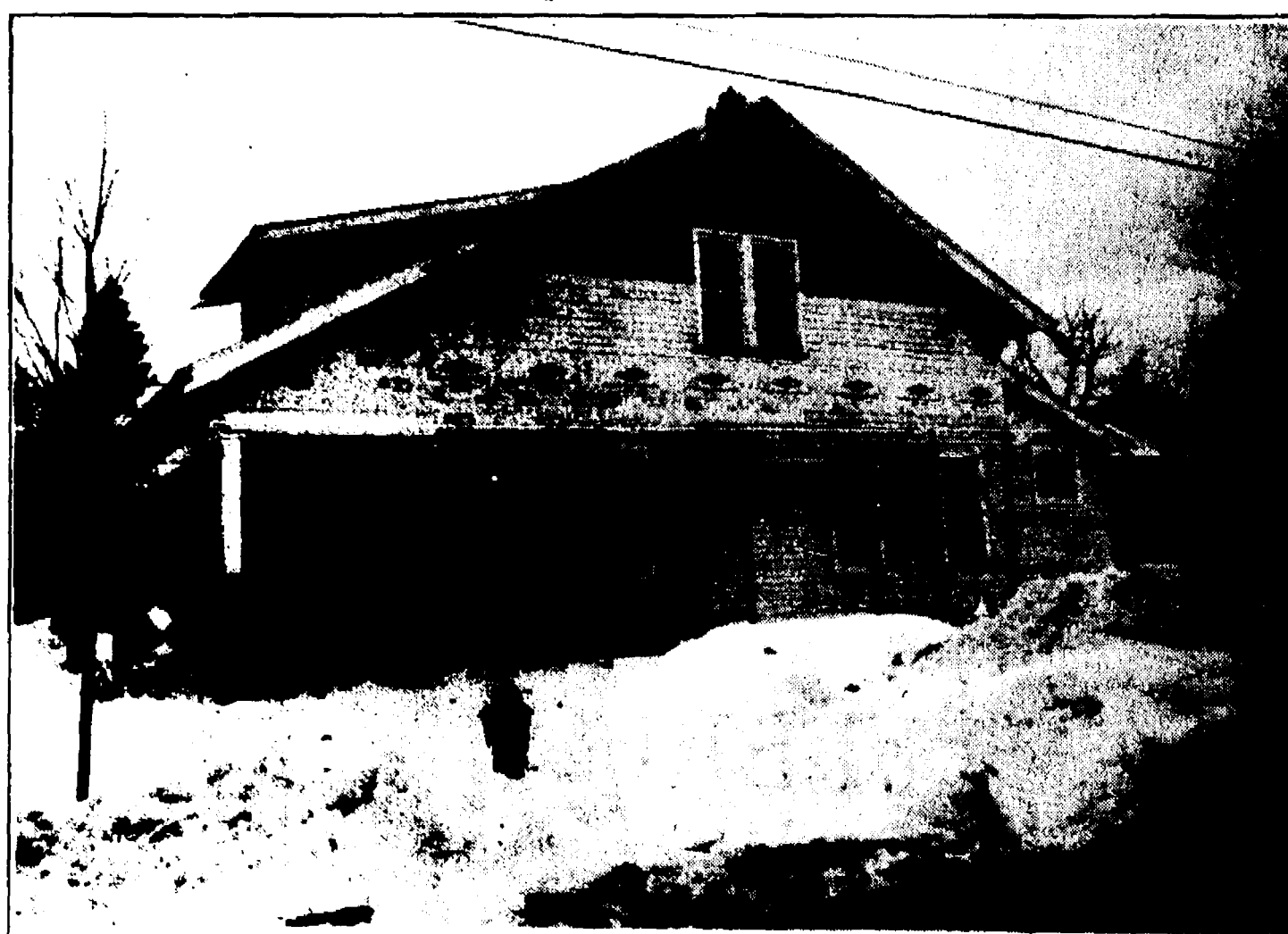
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## Crawford is growing despite cold temps and snow

Even in the dead of winter and during some of the coldest temperatures, Grayling continues to grow and improve. It seems improvement can be found throughout the county. A few of the construction and remodeling activities taking place in the county are pictured here. Other projects not pictured here include Terry's Sports Center and Hanson Hills, which received a new interior coat of paint.



The Crawford County Jail is nearing completion.



This old house, on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Chestnut Street, is getting a face lift.



This 3-story apartment complex is being built on the south side of town. The apartments should have a beautiful view of the AuSable River.



Next door to the Avalanche, workers are hard at work painting the inside of the Grayling Antique Mall.



This house is being moved by Al Sherwood & Sons of Merritt, to make room for a playing/exercise area for Grayling Middle School. Pictured below are the outer walls of the new AuSable Primary School.



**SHERIFF DEPARTMENT PURCHASES NEW SNOWMOBILE** — Bob and Pam Terry of Terry's Sports Center, turn over the keys to a 1996 Arctic Cat to Sheriff David Lovely and Undersheriff Kirk Wakefield to use in rescue operations in Crawford County. In 1969 Crawford County was the first county to purchase a snowmobile to use in patrol and rescue situations. The 1996 sled will replace a sled purchased by the county in 1973. The sheriff department has already went out on five rescue missions this winter.





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## Holiday Inn Viking of the week



### Wrestling Josh Taylor

Viking junior Josh Taylor, wrestling in only half the season, compiled a 14-4 win/loss record and captured the conference championship at 140 pounds.

## Viking wrestlers outstanding at conference championships

Four Grayling Viking wrestlers walked away with Great Northern Conference championships at Whittemore-Prescott on Saturday, Feb. 10.

Wrestling at 125 pounds, Viking junior Eddie Davis easily defeated his final opponent to win his championship, compiling an overall season record of 34 wins against just five losses.

At 130 pounds, sophomore Ben Malonen scored two points in the final 30 seconds of his match after being tied at 3-3 with his last opponent. Malonen compiled an overall season record of 34 wins and 11 losses.

140 pound junior Josh Taylor won his championship after wrestling only the last half of the season. Taylor pinned his final opponent in the last 23

seconds of the third period enroute to an overall record of 14 wins against four losses.

Big Dale Kniss, wrestling at 215 pounds and the only senior on the Viking squad, easily defeated his opposition by a 3-0 score. Kniss compiled an impressive 37 win record against just one loss.

Kniss' only loss of the season, two weeks ago, came against a Petoskey opponent that he had previously beaten several times. Kniss could have avenged the loss in upcoming tournament wrestling.

Sophomore Dave Shepherd brought home a second place conference trophy. Shepherd compiled a season record of 23 wins and six losses.

103 pound junior Dana Beckwith

finished third in the conference. Beckwith has a 29-11 record.

Also scoring team points for the Vikings were sophomore Nate Niederer and freshman Charles DesMoines.

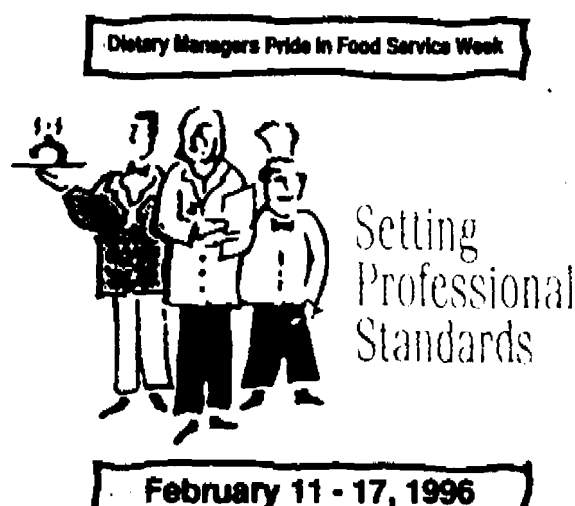
Viking junior co-captain Jason Hall, who has placed very high wrestling in the 135-pound division in previous conference matches, was unable to attend the conference championships due to illness.

In team points, the Vikings finished third behind Whittemore-Prescott and Rogers City. Finishing below the Vikings were teams from Onaway, Elk Rapids, Kalkaska, Mancelona and Charlevoix.

On Wednesday, Feb. 14, the Vikings will host team district tournaments in the home gym. Participating schools will include Grayling, Kalkaska and Benzie Central. Wrestling is set to begin at 6 p.m.

# PRIDE IN FOOD SERVICE WEEK

FEBRUARY 11 - 17, 1996



During Dietary Managers Pride in Food Service Week, we thank the food service staff at Grayling Mercy Hospital for providing quality service to our many customers...patients, visitors, employees, physicians, volunteers and our community.

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Spike's ..... 4-2  
Holiday Inn ..... 3-3  
Fox Const./Hinkle RE/MAX ..... 3-3  
Big Boy/Sylvester's ..... 2-4  
Weyerhaeuser ..... 1-5

Patti's/Camp Grayling 76-  
Doremire 21, Latusek 12, Junttila 11,  
Dannenburg 9, Trudgeon 7, Cooper 6,  
White 6, Bonamie 4; Weyerhaeuser  
44-Ruddy 10, Pagel 10, Dandy 9,  
Trenary 8, Hull 5, Leng 2.

Holiday Inn 65-Mertes 17, Simons  
12, Hamlin 9, Dean 9, Weaver 6, Smith  
4, Madill 4, Weiler 4; Fox Const.  
Hinkle RE/MAX 58-Hinkle 16, Fox  
15, Burrell 10, Burkett 9, R. Tobin 4,  
Swope 4.

Spikes 69-Patterson 31, Church  
15, J. Gardiner 11, Kolka 6, Potter 4,  
T. Gardiner 2; Big Boy/Sylvester's  
57-D. Jung 16, Abney 15, Waite 15,  
M. Jung 5, Fortino 4, Malinowski 2.

Top Scorers: Patterson 26.6, D. Jung  
21.5, Abney 21.3, Ryckman 19,  
Simons 16.8, Junttila 16.6, Mertes  
14.3, Trenary 14.2.

3-point Leaders: Patterson 31,  
Simons 16, Jung 14, LaForest 12, Fox  
12, Junttila 11.

Free Throw Percent: Junttila 88.5%,  
Burkett 82.3%, Trenary, 78.9%, R.  
Tobin 78.5%, Thompson 77.7%.

Foul Leaders: Waite 24, Trudgeon  
24, Weaver 22, T. Gardiner 21, Burrell  
21.

## Community BINGO Calendar

**Tuesday - 6:30 pm**  
Grayling Youth  
Booster Club  
K of C Hall, 604 Norway  
Grayling

**Wednesday - 11 am**  
Grayling Eagles  
Auxiliary #3465  
Eagles Club, 602 Huron  
Grayling

**Wednesday - 6:30 pm**  
Knights of  
Columbus  
K of C Hall, 604 Norway  
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**Thursday - 7 pm**  
American  
Legion Hall  
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**Friday - 6:30 pm**  
Grayling Eagles  
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Eagles Club, 602 Huron  
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**Saturday - 7 pm**  
Frederic  
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# Ski team places 3rd, 4th at conference meet

The Grayling Viking ski team held their own against all of the teams in the Great Northern Ski Conference on Tuesday, Feb. 6. Nine Viking skiers competed with over 120 of the best skiers in the league.

The Viking team, a mixture of a few upperclassmen and freshman, surprised the other teams with a 3rd place finish for the girls and a 4th place finish for the boys.

"I was very pleased with the team effort," said Coach Michael Wieland. "The only teams to beat us were the big hill racers, Harbor and Boyne, in the girls, and Harbor, Boyne and Bellaire in the boys. Their teams train at Nubs, Boyne Mountain and Schuss Mountain."

The girls were 4th in the giant slalom and 3rd in the slalom, making them finish in 3rd place overall. The boys were 3rd in the giant slalom and 4th in the slalom for a 4th place finish overall. The hosts of the meet, Harbor Springs, won first place in both girls and boys competition.

Top skiers for the girls were Jessica Wyss in the slalom and Katie Olson in the giant slalom showing the senior leadership and the freshman eagerness of our teams, said Coach Wieland.

Wyss was the top team performer of the day for the girls, placing 11th in the slalom and 19th in the giant slalom out of a field of 55 skiers. Kim Hartman placed 13th in the slalom and 27th in the giant slalom. Olson was 28th in the slalom and 12th in the giant slalom. Jenny Jurkovich placed 39th and 25th.

Brooke Ginther placed 16th in the slalom, coming up with a pressure packed finish after top racer, Erin Welke was disqualified in the slalom after losing a ski. Welke placed 13th in the giant slalom.

Kristin Kearney had the Vikings fastest first run in the giant slalom then lost a ski on the second run and was disqualified. Six of the seven girls contributed time used for the 3rd place finish, a good all-around effort by the team, said Coach Wieland.

The boys ski team with a 3rd in the giant slalom had three falls in the slalom, which caused them to drop into 4th place. Two of the first three racers were in trouble, causing the young racer in the rear of the team to come through.

Travis Hopp and Ryan Schlehuber placed 13th and 19th despite Schlehuber falling. Two freshmen, Colin Hunter and Eric Thompson, came in 14th and 21st respectively. Jason Steele fell in the slalom finishing 38th. Josh Mueller lost a ski and was disqualified.

In giant slalom competition, the boys were led by Schlehuber placing 10th, Hopp came in 13th, Hunter 23rd, Thompson 27th and Mueller 34th.

The teams are still working towards a good finish in the MHSAA Regional at Crystal Mountain on Thursday, Feb. 15. They hope to place some skiers into the state meet on Monday, Feb. 26 at Boyne Mountain.



**VIKING BOYS SKI TEAM 1996** — Pictured are (Front, L to R) Eric Thompson, Colin Hunter, Ryan Schlehuber, Jason Steele, Travis Hopp, Josh Mueller, (Back, L to R) Coach Mike Wieland, Jeremy Nelson, Joe Hughes, Clark Wilcox and Virgil Grounds.



**VIKING GIRLS SKI TEAM 1996** — Pictured are (Front, L to R) Jenny Jurkovich, Jessica Wyss, Erin Welke, Katie Olson, Michael Wieland (Back, L to R) Amy Martella, Brooke Ginther, Kim Hartman and Kristin Kearney.

## 4-H offers Archery Club for area youth

Children, ages 9-18, can learn the exciting sport of archery by certified instructors from the Bears Bowman Archery Club under the direction of Bill Weaver.

There will be four classes offered, which will meet weekly for eight weeks. The four classes will meet beginning Monday, Feb. 26 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. or from 7:30-8:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. or from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

The cost of the 8-week session is

\$12 per child. Equipment will be provided.

Classes will be held indoors at the Bears Bowman Archery Club at Hanson Hills, which is located behind the Adult Community Education Building.

Future plans include forming a Junior Olympics Archery Development (JOAD) Team for youth ages 12

and older. The team will compete in regional and state tournaments.

Register now at the Crawford County MSU Extension Office in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse. Registration is limited, so enroll now. Registrations must be in by Friday, Feb. 23. For more information, call the 4-H office at 348-2841, ext. 264.

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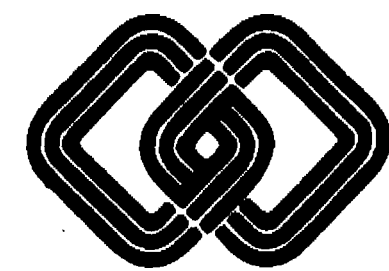
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MTH 336	College Algebra	Tuesday
PHL 302	Ethics	Tuesday
COM 122	College Writing II	Wednesday King
ECO 201	Macroeconomics	Wednesday
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Projected Weekend Ski Conditions

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## Viking volleyball takes 2nd at Invitational

The Grayling Volleyball team capped off an exciting week of volleyball with a 2nd place trophy in the Subway Invitational at Grayling High School on Saturday, Feb. 10.

Two Viking players, Brooke Blaauw and Amy Neal, were selected to the all-tournament team at the invitational.

The exciting week of play began when Grayling defeated Alcona in all three games on Wednesday, Feb. 6 in Alcona. The Vikings defeated Alcona with scores 15-0, 15-9 and 15-5. The defeat over Alcona improved the Vikings standing in the league.

Neal contributed 15 serves and two blocks to the Viking's victory. Blaauw came in with 23 passes, 13 serves and two blocks. Jessica St.Germain rounded out the Vikings blocking with two also. She also contributed 36 sets, 12 passes and six spikes to the Viking's game.

The Viking netters battled to take two of five games in a marathon match with Charlevoix. Final scores were 15-11, 15-8, 8-15, 8-15 and 8-15.

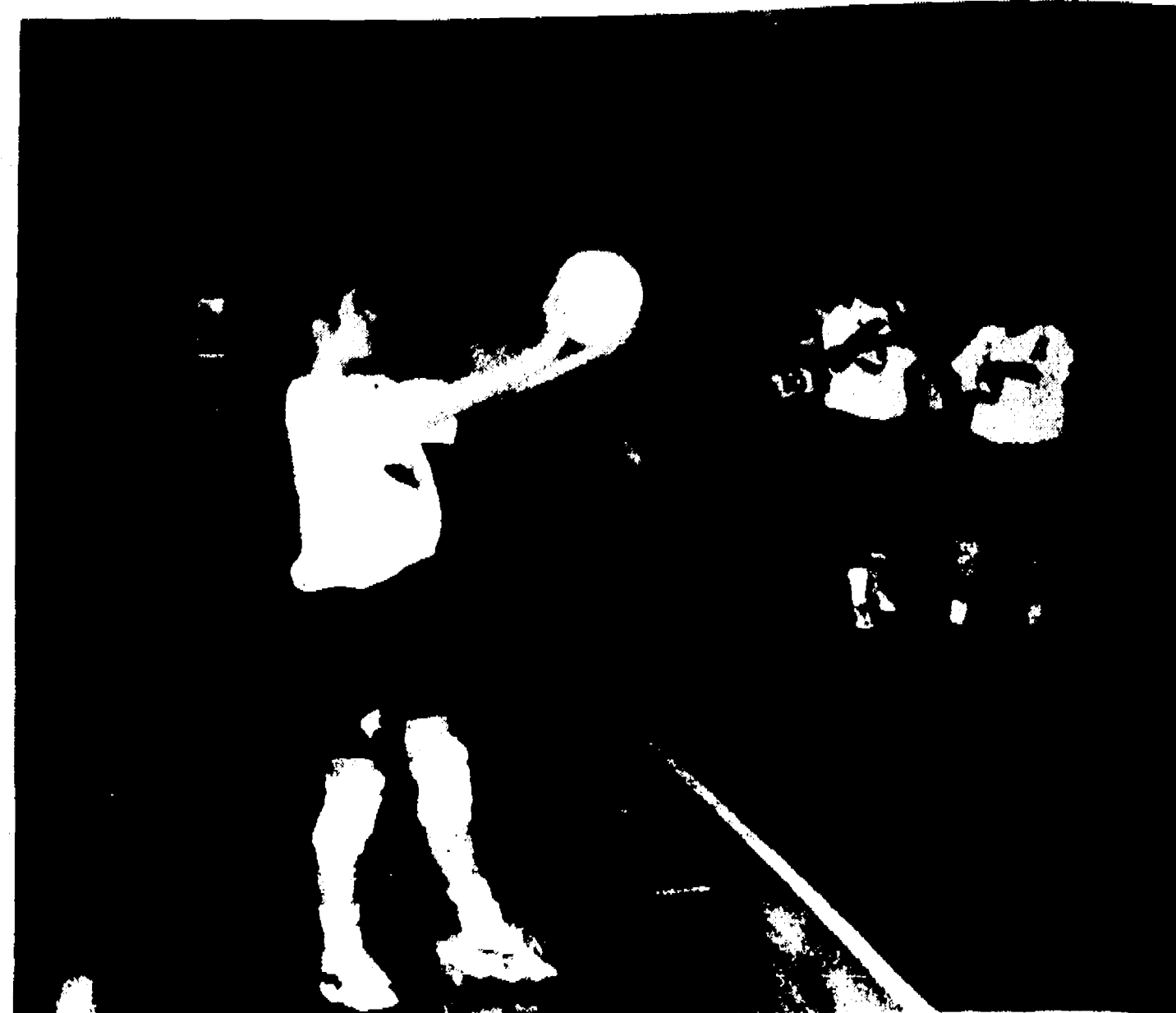
Neal once again led the Vikings in blocks with 15 to her credit. She also contributed 53 passes, eight serves and 31 spikes. Blaauw was next with eight blocks, 49 passes and 21 serves.

The Vikings hosted Charlevoix in a rematch on Monday, Feb. 12, for the Vikings Parents Night. Results of that match-up will be in next week's Avalanche.

The Viking netters will travel to conference territory Wednesday, Feb. 15, to Onaway. The Vikings will finish out the week with the Tawas Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 17.

Last week's performance by the Viking netters pleased and excited Coach Rebecca Brown. She feels the Vikings are right on pace to hit their full stride for conference and district tournaments.

"We've always known we had the ability to compete at a high level as individuals," said Brown. "Now, we're seeing what we can do together as a unified force and we like what we're seeing. It feels great. Every person on the team makes a unique contribution that pushes everyone else in a positive direction. The team played their hearts out Saturday and they had a lot of



**WHAT A DAY!** -- Vicki Creps prepares to launch a great serve over the net to the Harrison Hornets at the 4th annual Subway Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 10 at Grayling High School. Looking on is teammates Amy Neal and Jessica Waite. The Viking Volleyball team placed second in the tournament, defeating the Gaylord Blue Devils.

support, which helped too."

Brown also had high praise for the JV squad, the parents group, who ran the concessions, scorers, the athletic department and volunteers who worked the lines.

"We hit really well and had strong defense," said Brown. "If there was any weakness, it was in the area of serving. We'd work so hard to break serve and then hand it back over with a miss. We didn't give in and would battle back."

The Vikings were strong even in what Brown concedes might be the weak area of the day, serving. The Vikings had 207 serves that day, with Blaauw making 62 and Neal making 39.

"The wins against Gaylord and Roscommon, both very skilled teams, were the emotional highlights for the girls. In the finals against Kingsley, the team took the second game, but fell short in the third due to fatigue more than anything else," said Brown. "Kingsley wasn't really powerful, but they made very few mistakes and were consistent on both defense and attacks."

Viking setters Vicki Creps and Jessica St.Germain delivered the ball to get the most out of the hitters, Blaauw, Neal, Jessica Waite, Trisha Ormsbee, Monica Lawrence and Jennifer Wejrowski.

Erin Smith, Kristie Cadeau, Rebecca

Shahan and Nicole Craigie were solid all week defensively.

The results of the Viking play at the Subway Invitational was the following. The Vikings split with Roscommon, 15-12 and 13-15. Against Harrison the Vikings split once more with 17-15 and 9-15. The Vikings easily defeated Beaverton with final scores of 15-7 and 15-4.

The Vikings played Gaylord three times during the tournament, defeating them twice. The results were 5-15, 15-8 and 15-3. Against the invitational champions, the Vikings finished three games with the scores at 2-15, 15-6 and 10-15.

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## 25 receive 'I' rating at solo/ensemble

On Saturday, Feb. 10, 27 students from the Grayling High School Band competed in the Senior High Solo/Ensemble Festival for District II Michigan Schools of Band and Orchestra Association at the Gaylord High School.

The 27 students presented 31 events for judging. The hard work and dedication of the performers paid off as 25 of the 31 events returned home with a I rating, the highest rating possible.

Students who participated in solo/ensemble did so voluntarily. They have been practicing since Christmas break, some even longer, whenever they could find the time. Students practiced before, during and after school, putting in many hours of preparation in order to achieve the I rating.

The events that received a I rating

will go on to state competition, which will be in St. Ignace on Saturday, March 23. The Viking Band Boosters are honoring the students by paying for an overnight stay at the state solo/ensemble complete with great food, hot tub, swimming pool and great fellowship.

Viking band director, Dennis Ormsbee, said it is through the state solo/ensemble that students are nominated for the youth arts weekend at Western Michigan University, where students can compete in three events.

The events that qualified for state solo/ensemble were Annie Becks, flute solo; Nicole Siwula, oboe solo; Natalie Kent, oboe solo; Jessica Scott, flute solo and piccolo solo; Trisha Ormsbee, bassoon solo; Heidi Wallace, clarinet solo; Becky Pilon, clarinet solo; Brion Davis, clarinet solo; Nick Szajner, alto sax solo and tenor sax solo; Sara Eagen, trumpet solo; Sarah Medler, tympani solo and xylophone solo; Colleen Dale, clarinet solo; Brandy Plutko, baritone sax solo; Ryan Gaffke, alto sax solo; Pat Lamie, clarinet solo; Trisha Ormsbee and Julie McAnallen, bassoon duet; Jessica Becks and Brandy Plutko, flute duet; Heidi Wallace and Jessica Weaver, clarinet duet; Jessica Wyss and Brion Davis, clarinet duet; Pat Lamie, Trisha Ormsbee, Jessica Scott, Nicole Siwula and Clark Wilcox, woodwind quintet; and Sean Casey, Sara Eagen, Brooke Ginther and Kellie Halstead, trumpet quartet.

Ormsbee said a big credit should go to Jill Flintof who provided accompaniment 21 of the 31 events.

## Famous women visited Grayling Elementary kids

Students at Grayling Elementary School met some very famous women recently, including Susan B. Anthony, Madame Curie and Edna Ferber on Monday, Feb. 5.

The famous women were brought alive by Nancy Engel, an actor and singer with over 25 years of experience in music and theater. Engel captivated the students as she became one of the famous women right before their eyes. A black wig and tan coat help her become author Edna Ferber.

This was Engel's second trip to the Grayling Elementary School. She had presented Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross; Annie Oakley, renowned sharpshooter and airplane pilot; Amelia Earhart, last fall.

The presentation bits of information that wouldn't be found in most history books, including the fact that Ferber wanted to be an actress, not a writer. Engel captivates the students with songs mixed in to the story. For her presentation on Ferber, she sang "Old Man River."



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## Viking Hoopsters continue downward slide



**GRIM DETERMINATION**--Viking junior Seth Madsen shows his intensity as he shoots the ball in the Gaylord game.

Photo by Tom Haskel

The Grayling High School varsity basketball squad continued its recent slidewith losses at Onaway on Friday, Feb. 2 and again versus Gaylord on the home court on Tuesday, Feb. 6.

Viking Coach Rich Moffit said of the Onaway game, "We did not play up to our potential. Hopefully our kids will use this game as a learning experience."

The Onaway Cardinals defeated the Vikings by a 63-56 score.

Senior Scott Hartman led the Viking scoring attack with 17 points. He was followed by senior Joe Godlewski who added 12 points.

Versus Gaylord, the Vikings were outgunned in every quarter and ended the game on the short end of an 84-43 score.

Hartman again led the Viking scorers with eight points, followed by senior Chris Kucharek who scored seven points.

"It has been very evident the last two games that we deeply miss Brad Larm who has been out with illness," Moffit said. "Brad provides good defense and is a steady scorer."

Moffit said the Vikings only made 16 of 65 shots from the field.

"When you play someone of the quality of a Gaylord, you must hit the easy shots that you receive. We put a lot of pressure on our defense because of the fact that we worked hard defensively and did not reward our team at the offensive end of the court. Obviously it is frustrating for our kids to get the kind of shots that we got and still miss them," Moffit said.

He also said that, "Gaylord has a nice team. Luke Johnson is an outstanding player."

The Vikings have an overall record of four wins against eight losses and a Great Northern Conference, Huron Division record of two wins and three losses.

Currently, Rogers City leads the conference at 4-1, followed by Alcona at 3-2, Whittemore-PreScott at 2-2, Grayling, and Onaway with one win and four losses.

On Tuesday, Feb. 13, the Vikings traveled to Roscommon to challenge the Roscommon Bucks, and on Friday, Feb. 16, the Vikings will entertain the Alcona Tigers at the GHS gymnasium.

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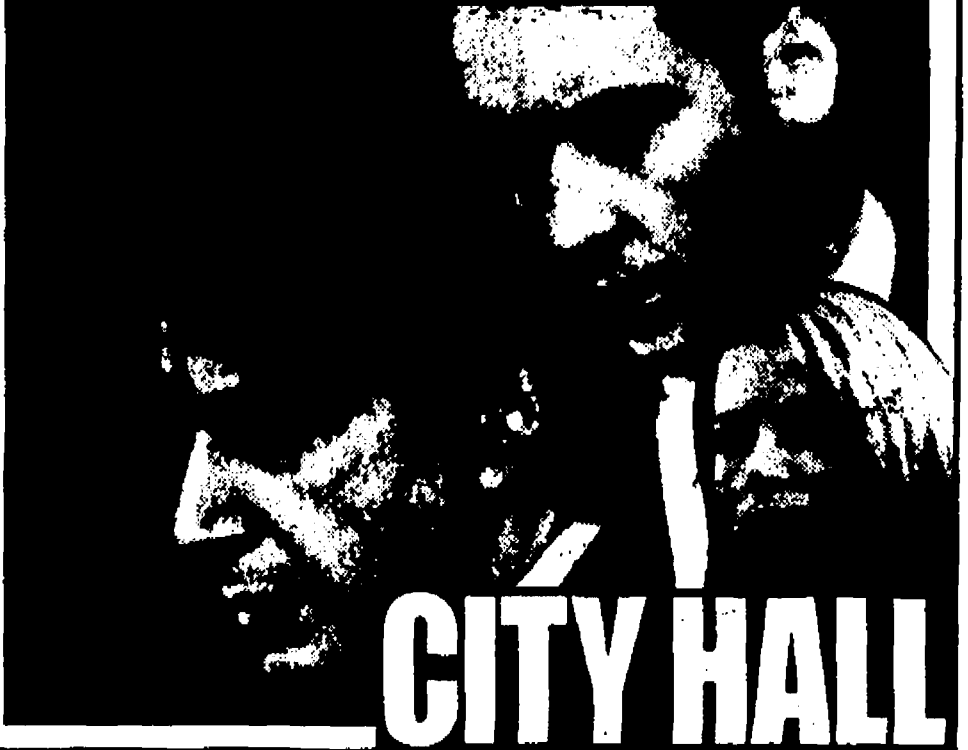
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### THIS WEEK'S FEATURE

Friday, February 16 - Thursday, February 22

AL PACINO JOHN CUSACK BRIDGET FONDA



**HERE'S AN EASY ONE**--Viking junior Sam Modica goes up for the layup while juniors Eddie Baynham (L) and Ben Haskel move in for the rebound.

Photo by Tom Haskel

## Grayling Redskins football raffle winners announced

Winners of the Grayling Redskins football raffle were drawn at the monthly February meeting, Sunday, Feb. 4, at the Holiday Inn. The winners were as follows: The \$100 prize was awarded to Betty CdeBaca, the \$50 prize went to Dick Lovell, and Gordon Cox Sr. won the \$25 prize. Other prizes given away were six Redskin T-shirts, that went to Amanda Bankert, Keith Miller, Bonnie Piper, Debbie Helsel,

Tim Coc and Kathy Madsen.

The Redskins will be having a total of four raffles, the next to be held Sunday, March 3. Tickets can be purchased from any Redskin board of directors member, and many Redskin parents. For information on the Redskin football program, call Bud Morgan at 348-2548, or Tom Ritter at 348-2694.

## GSB race clinic results

Last Saturday's warm weather made for some hard, icy ski conditions for Sunday's GSB race clinic at Hanson Hills, race director John Alef said. "If the kids can ski on this snow they can ski on anything." The conditions didn't stop 33 area kids from taking part in this week's clinic.

The battle continues in the kindergarten girls' group with Jessica Riddle first, and Rachel Doremire second. For the boys, first-time racer Ryan Hanes took first, Rocky McNamara finished second. The first- and second-grade girls were again led by Jill Seager finishing first. Kody Diola finished first for the boys, followed by Zach Dean second, and Andrew Hart third.

The third- and fourth-grade groups have some very strong young racers and the competition is building. For the girls, Allyson Diola took first, followed by Jodi Riddle second, Nichole Doremire third, and Nichole Dixon fourth. Joey Highlen skied to

the top finish for the boys, followed by Trevor Clough second, Matt Seager third, Zach VanNuck fourth, and first-time racer Brian Gorman fifth.

The fifth- and sixth-grade girls were led by the always-consistent Joni Ames first, followed by Andrea Alvarez second, Sasha Latuszek third, and Becky Call fourth. As always, the fifth- and sixth-grade boys were ready to race. Justin Hanes took first, followed by Eric Hunter second, Keil Clough third, Eric Hart fourth, and Josh Jurkovich fifth. Luke Ames put together the fastest runs of the day to lead the seventh- and eighth-grade boys. Jason Boreo finished second, followed by Eric Podjasko third, Derek Quick fourth, Paul Jansen fifth, Matt Thomas, sixth, and first-time racer Aaron Grace seventh.

Alef would like to remind the kids that there will be two more weeks of racing. The group of spectators has grown, and all are welcome to come to watch the kids race.

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1994 FORD RANGER ..... Pickup - only 29,000 miles	Clearance \$9,900 - 0 Down ..... \$199 mo.*
1993 FORD EXPLORER ..... Trail Green - loaded - fresh unit	Clearance \$16,900
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1992 CHEVY K-1500 4X4 ..... Was \$11,900	Clearance \$11,500 - 0 Down ..... \$295 mo.*
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1993 CHEVY ASTRO CL ..... Extended - fresh arrival	Clearance \$10,500 - 0 Down ..... \$249 mo.*
1991 S BLAZER ..... 2 door - mint condition - only 65,000 miles	Clearance \$10,900
1991 CHEVY 4X4 ..... Extended cab	Clearance \$13,500
1990 CHEVY PICKUP ..... 1/2 Ton - fresh arrival	Clearance \$6,900
1987 CHEVY ASTRO ..... Fresh arrival	Clearance \$3,900 - 0 Down ..... \$129 mo.*

1994 OLDS CIERA ..... 4 door - 6 cylinder - fresh arrival - off lease	Clearance \$10,900 - 0 Down ..... \$229 mo.*
1994 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX ..... Fresh arrival	Clearance \$12,900 - 0 Down ..... \$269 mo.*
1994 GEO METRO ..... Automatic trans. - fresh arrival	Clearance \$7,900 - 0 Down ..... \$169 mo.*
1994 OLDS CUTLASS CRUISER WAGON	Was \$12,900 ..... Clearance \$11,900
1993 OLDS CIERA ..... 4 Door - Fresh Arrival	Clearance \$8,900 - 0 Down ..... \$199 mo.*
1993 SEDAN DeVILLE ..... Was \$17,900	Clearance \$16,900
1993 CHEVY LUMINA SEDAN	Clearance \$9,900 - 0 Down ..... \$224 mo.
1993 CHEVY LUMINA EURO ..... Mar. Blue - Off Lease	Clearance \$9,500 - 0 Down ..... \$219 mo.*
1992 BUICK CENTURY ..... 4 Door	Clearance \$6,900 - 0 Down ..... \$174 mo.*
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## LEGAL ACTION

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION APPLICATION TO EFFECT CONSOLIDATIONS CITIZENS COMMERCIAL &amp; SAVINGS BANK

328 S. Saginaw Street  
Flint, Michigan 48502

Notice is hereby given by Citizens Commercial & Savings Bank, 328 S. Saginaw Street, Flint, Michigan 48502 that it has applied to the Federal Reserve System to effect a consolidation of Second National Bank of Saginaw, 101 N. Washington Ave., Saginaw, MI 48607, National Bank of Royal Oak, 211 S. Center St., Royal Oak, Michigan 48067, State Bank of Standish, 120 N. Forest St., Standish, MI 48658, Second National Bank of Bay City, 701 Washington Ave., Bay City, MI 48708, and Grayling State Bank, 305 Michigan Avenue,

Grayling, MI 49738 (the "Banks") with and into Citizens Commercial & Savings Bank. Incident to the consolidation transactions, the head offices and the branch offices of the Banks will become branch offices of Citizens Commercial & Savings Bank. The Federal Reserve System considers a number of factors in deciding whether to approve the application including the record of performance of banks we own in helping to meet local credit needs.

You are invited to submit comments on this application, in writing, to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, P.O. Box 834, Chicago, Illinois 60690. The comment period will not end before March 21, 1996, and may be somewhat longer. The Federal Reserve Board's Policy Statement regarding notice of applications may be found at 12 C.F.R. 262.25. To obtain a copy of the Federal Reserve Board's procedures, or if you need more information about how to submit your comments on the application, contact Alicia Williams, Community Affairs Officer (312) 322-5910 at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. The Federal Reserve System will consider your comments and any request for hearing on the application if they are received by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago on or before the last date of the comment period.

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE BY SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Promissory Note and Mortgage made on the date of May 24, 1995 by John L. Walsley, a single man, as mortgagor, to David A. Cruickshank and Betty M. Cruickshank, husband and wife, of Grayling, Michigan, as Lender said Mortgage being recorded June 16, 1995 at Liber 395 Page 408-409, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, upon which note there is claim to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice the sum of Twenty-One Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents (\$21,535.64), plus accrued interest at the rate of Ten Percent (10%), late fees and other allowable costs including reasonable attorney fees, real property taxes and insurance;

Further, no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt, secured by said mortgages and the power of sale being contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default;

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of March, 1996 at 10:00 in the

forenoon at the main front door of the Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for said County, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said promissory notes with interest thereon at the rate of Ten (10%) Percent, together with legal costs and charges of sale, provided by law and in said promissory notes and mortgages. The land and the premises described in said mortgages are located in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Grayling, and further described as follows:

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The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale. The property may be redeemed by paying the amount bid at the sale, plus interest at the rate of Ten (10%) Percent, and any fees, taxes or other unpaid encumbrances on the property from the date of the sale.

The property shall be offered for sale in parcels or in total.

CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

By: William L. Carey (P31602)

Attorney for David A.

And Betty M. Cruickshank

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NOTICE  
SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP  
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The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, on the following dates.

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 5th at 7 p.m.

To Meet with Taxpayers:  
Monday, March 11, 9 am to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.  
Thursday & Friday, March 14 and 15 at 6 to 9 p.m.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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COUNTY OF CRAWFORD  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

## Decedent's Estate

File No. 96-005511-IE

Estate of Margaret Elizabeth Stewart.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or

affected by this hearing.

NOTICE: A hearing was held on Jan. 18, 1996, in the probate courtroom, Crawford, Michigan before Judge John G. Hunter on the petition of Florence A. Hough requesting Florence A. Hough be appointed personal representative of Margaret Elizabeth Stewart

who lived at 4978 Dawn Drive, Grayling, MI 49738, Michigan, and who died Dec. 24, 1995, and requesting also the will of the deceased dated Nov. 1, 1995 be admitted to probate.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the (proposed) personal representative or to both the probate court and the (proposed) personal representative within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will then be assigned to entitled persons appearing of record.

Date: Jan. 24, 1996

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1996  
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TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS

CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQ. VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS
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## Beaver Creek - Tentative Ratios and Factors - 1996

101	Agricultural	51,600	62,394	41.35	1.2092
201	Commercial	1,321,650	1,309,602	50.46	0.9909
301	Industrial	10,417,500	10,419,584	59.99	1.0002
401	Residential	19,417,500	20,219,334	48.75	1.0256
501	Timber Cut-Over	0	0	0	0
601	Developmental	0	0	0	0
	Total Real	31,504,600	32,010,913	49.21	N/A
	Total Personal	26,669,900	26,687,178	49.96	1.0008
	Total Township	58,174,500	58,698,091	N/A	N/A

## Frederic - Tentative Ratios and Factors - 1996

101	Agricultural	953,600	1,065,237	44.76	1.1171
201	Commercial	892,600	915,863	48.73	1.0261
301	Industrial	193,300	193,300	50.00	1.0000
401	Residential	20,287,800	21,721,414	46.70	1.0707
501	Timber Cut-Over	0	0	0	0
601	Developmental	0	0	0	0
	Total Real	22,327,300	23,895,814	46.72	N/A
	Total Personal	9,330,000	9,331,443	49.99	1.0000
	Total Township	31,657,200	33,227,257	N/A	N/A

## Grayling - Tentative Ratios and Factors - 1996

101	Agricultural	728,000	760,870	47.84	1.0451
201	Commercial	4,722,000	4,829,209	48.89	1.0227
301	Industrial	16,333,800	16,971,945	48.12	1.0391
401	Residential	89,178,000	94,168,955	47.35	1.0559
501	Timber Cut-Over	0	0	0	0
601	Developmental	0	0	0	0
	Total Real	110,961,800	116,730,977	47.53	1.0519
	Total Personal	8,038,800	8,041,727	49.98	1.0000
	Total Township	119,000,600	124,772,704	N/A	N/A

## Lovells - Tentative Ratios and Factors - 1996

101	Agricultural	1,563,200	1,728,057	45.23	1.1055
201	Commercial	573,932	663,046	43.28	1.1553
301	Industrial	0	0	0	0
401	Residential	24,863,629	25,089,434	49.55	1.0091
501	Timber Cut-Over	0	0	0	0
601	Developmental	0	0	0	0
	Total Real	27,000,761	27,480,536	49.13	1.0177
	Total Personal	3,652,520	3,653,325	49.98	1.0000
	Total Township	30,653,281	31,133,861	N/A	N/A

## Maple Forest - Tentative Ratios and Factors - 1996

101	Agricultural	117,400	134,110	43.77	1.1423
201	Commercial	449,600	478,400	46.99	1.0640
301	Industrial	0	0	0	0
401	Residential	8,099,200	7,870,943	51.45	.9718
501	Timber Cut-Over	0	0	0	0
601	Developmental	0	0	0	0
	Total Real	8,666,200	8,594,151	50.42	N/A
	Total Personal	1,783,400	1,783,400	50.00	1.0000
	Total Township	10,449,600	10,377,551	N/A	N/A

## South Branch - Tentative Ratios and Factors - 1996

101	Agricultural	831,200	864,033	48.10	1.0395
201	Commercial	288,100	288,113	49.13	1.0177
301	Industrial	0	0	0	0
401	Residential	35,824,500	39,152,459	45.75	1.0928
501	Timber Cut-Over	0	0	0	0
601	Developmental	0	0	0	0
	Total Real	36,938,800	40,304,605	45.82	1.0912
	Total Personal	3,025,250	3,025,044	49.84	1.0000
	Total Township	39,964,050	43,329,649	N/A	N/A

## City of Grayling - Tentative Ratios and Factors - 1996

101	Agricultural	0	0	0	0
201	Commercial	18,437,000	18,913,624	48.74	1.0258
301	Industrial	3,005,800	3,182,003	47.53	1.0519
401	Residential	11,617,200	11,963,908	48.47	1.0318
501	Timber Cut-Over	0	0	0	0
601	Developmental	0	0	0	0
	Total Real	33,060,000	34,059,534	48.53	1.0303
	Total Personal	5,787,900	5,788,041	49.99	1.0000
	Total Township	38,847,900	39,847,575	N/A	N/A

SYNOPSIS  
Crawford County  
Board of  
Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
of Jan. 23, 1996

The Regular Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Acting Chairperson Sandra Moore, County Clerk at 10 a.m. in the County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan. Roll Call: Long, Hartman, Black, McLachlan, Smock and Bratke. Absent: None. County Clerk Sandra Moore, present. There were others present at various times.

## IN FORMAL ACTION THE COMMISSIONERS:

—Accepted the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Jan. 9, 1996, and the Special Meeting of Jan. 22, 1996, as presented.

—Accepted 16 pieces of correspondence as presented.

—Agreed to draft a letter to the Department of Natural Resources for appropriate funding to help facilitate a plan to meet the needs of Crawford County.

—Appointed John C. Mahank to the Crawford County Planning Commission.

—Appointed Karen Sprague to the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals.

—Appointed Wallace W. King to the Crawford County Planning Commission.

—Agreed to prepare a Resolution for Judge Porter for his years of service to Crawford County.

—Agreed upon the extension of the financial package to P.O.A.M. and C.O.A.M., but not to include retro until the completion of the finalized contract, and to facilitate the payroll department with figures.

—Agreed to accept the bid of \$2,000 by C.O.P.S. for the 1993 police vehicle.

—Agreed to transfer the Dodge military pickup truck from the Sheriff's Department to the motor pool.

—Approved the Sheriff's Department to purchase an Arctic Cat Snowmobile for use by patrol unit costing \$5,730 of which \$3,867.75 is to be reimbursed from a grant and \$400 of donated money will be applied reducing the actual cost to \$850, and not to exceed \$900 with some of the \$2,000 funding from the sale of the police vehicle to be applied.

—Agreed to pursue the grant through the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse for the Sheriff's Department use of the snowmobile to help enforce offenders operating snowmobiles while using alcohol.

—Amended the wording of the second paragraph of the Resolution for Full-Time Prosecutor to read "BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the position of Prosecuting

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NOTICE  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
CRAWFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Crawford County Sheriff's Office is requesting for proposals on an exclusive towing service contract.

Contractor services shall adhere to all contract provisions. The contract is available for review, copy or upon request at the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

Request for proposed bids will begin on February 14, 1996. A prospective bidders conference will be held on February 21, 1996, at 2 pm at the court house. The sealed bids will be taken on March 6, 1996, at 2 pm, EDT, in the lobby of the court house.

Crawford County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, or portion thereof, or re-issue a bid solicitation.

Crawford County will not discriminate against any persons on the basis of his or her color, sex, religion, age, race, political affiliation or national origin.

Any questions should be directed to the sheriff or undersheriff at (517) 348-4616.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: The time to make friends is before you need them.

Update on the MIC and Senior Commodities program: The MIC and Senior Commodities program will be in Crawford County at Breakers Steak House, 2123 Industrial Drive, (formerly Weatherly's Country House) on March 6, and will be there from then on. Commodities may be picked up from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Seniors in the Grayling Housing project will still have theirs delivered, or they can pick their box up at the COA. Any seniors or mothers with children may still sign up or re-certify at the Senior Center at 308 Lawndale, Grayling. If you have any questions, call the COA at 348-7123.

Remember the Pancake Supper on Friday, Feb. 16, serving from 4 to 7 p.m. The cost for the supper is \$3 for adults, half price for children 6 to 11, and those under 6 are free, so bring your kids and grandkids and friends and neighbors. This is a fundraiser and the proceeds will be ear-marked for new seat cushions for the dining room chairs. There is a sign-up sheet for the staples and those that can supply a staple or two can sign up here at the Center (or give us a call at 348-7123). We will need boxes of complete pancake mix (the kind that only needs water), butter or margarine, syrup, kielbasa, link sausage, applesauce, and they must be commercially processed, not home canned; coffee (both kinds) and napkins. This way the proceeds will be all be clear and profitable. Serving from 4 to 7 p.m.

Some up-coming things for the weeks ahead: Card parties on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m., and play bridge, euchre, pinocle, etc.; new activity on Fridays—Coffee Klatsch at 10 a.m. All seniors are invited to attend. Sit and chat with your friends and neighbors and get a chance to find out what the folks think about anything that is on their mind. It's fun and informative, too! Birthday luncheon of Feb. 14; Legal help on the 16th and a Pancake Supper from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday Potluck on the 18th; Baggocardo on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 3 p.m., and COA Board meeting at 5:30.

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Remember the bad weather policy rule of thumb—if the Crawford County Schools are closed, then the center is closed for all meals and activities. The Meals-on-Wheels people are furnished with an emergency meal or two in their freezers to use on these days when the center is closed. The office will be open if at all possible.

Come and eat at the center. The meals are tasty, well balanced, and it is really the best deal in town! \$1.50 donation for seniors, and the charge for those under



# FACTS AND FEATURES

## YOUR HOROSCOPE

### Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast For: February 11 - 17, 1996

- ARIES** Smart decisions are not made quickly. Think March 21-April 19 carefully before putting your plans in action.
- TAURUS** Let your artistic nature out. Pursue creativity. April 20 - May 20 You are long on talent and ability.
- GEMINI** Be more conservative with your money. Don't May 21 - June 20 be tempted by the first pretty face. Be selective.
- CANCER** Give in to your desires. Let your fantasies June 21 - July 22 come true. Share your life with the one you love.
- LEO** You may be tempted to bite off more than you July 23 - Aug 22 can chew. Don't be conned into doing the work of others.
- VIRGO** Conserve energy. Don't overwork yourself. Aug 23 - Sept 22 Curl up by the fire with a good book and a cup of hot cocoa.
- LIBRA** A busy schedule becomes even more frantic. Sept 23 - Oct 22 Go with the flow until you can slow down on your own.
- SCORPIO** Choosing between two different career paths Oct 23 - Nov 21 becomes a nightmare. Careful deliberation and advice from experts will help.
- SAGITTARIUS** Travel to exotic locals, weather permitting. Nov 22 - Dec 21 Combine business with pleasure and enjoy yourself.
- CAPRICORN** Someone tries to persuade you to act inappropriately. Dec 22 - Jan 19 Stick to your guns and you will have a moral victory.
- AQUARIUS** What you want is not necessarily what you Jan 20 - Feb 18 will get. You may have to settle for less, this time.
- PISCES** Financial investments peak. Look for other Feb 19 - March 20 alternatives. Shop around. Consult experts.



**SHADOW NEEDS A HOME--This 5-year-old, female, chow is housebroken, and is very good with kids. If you would like to give her a home, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.**

## PET CARE TIPS

Dog Lovers! Don't throw away that empty dog food package. If it's from Gaines or Ken-L Ration foods, it can be used to help the homeless animals in Crawford County. Clip the Homer Symbols from the products and send them to the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, P.O. Box 869, Grayling, MI 49738. The shelter can get 20¢ from any dry or soft/moist package and 2¢ from any can or treat package under a program called "Shelter Cash-in Plan."

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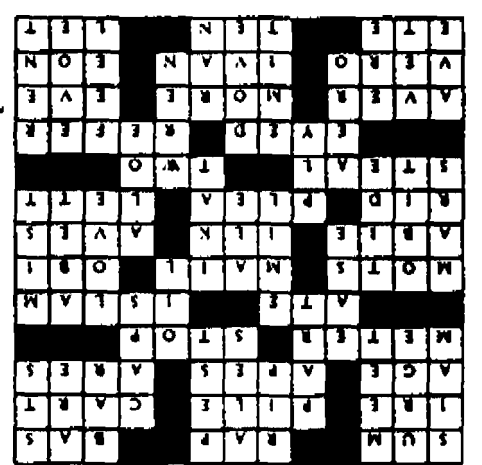
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22. Oriental faith
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29. Post
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33. Man's nickname
34. Writing fluid
35. Birds
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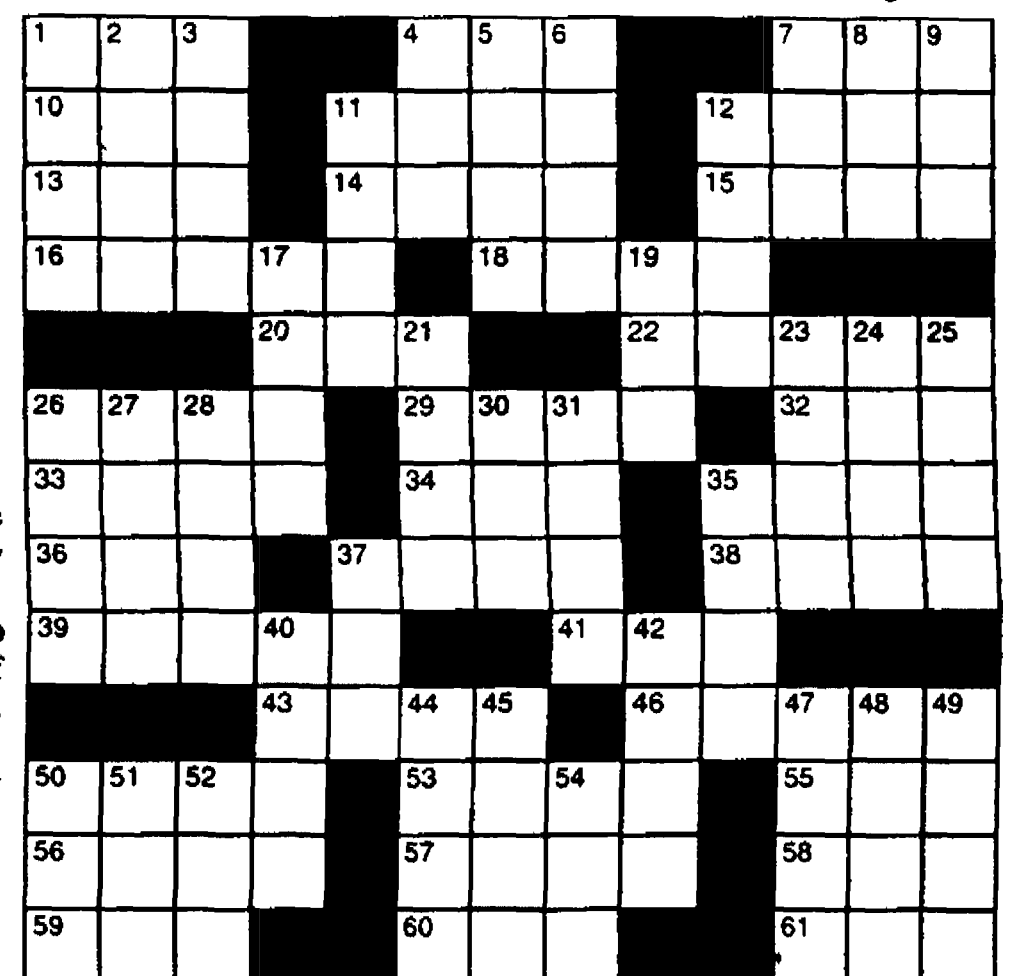
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2. Spur
3. Run into
4. Tear
5. Beers
6. Nuisance
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8. Exist
9. Streets, abbr.
11. Play role
12. Surpasses
17. Comfort
19. Grease
21. Jannings
23. Adore
24. Help
25. Fog
26. Red planet
27. Death notices

### THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS



28. Ocean's rise and fall
30. Chem. suffix
31. Sumatran silk
35. Medicinal plant
37. Wield
40. Pertaining to flight
42. Small bird
44. Send forth
45. Bird of peace
47. Sense
48. Bacchinal's cry
49. Lease
50. Hail!
51. Old soldier, fam.
52. Before
54. Norse sea goddess



## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 years ago Feb. 15, 1973

The Peanut League basketball champions received their trophy recently from Jack Hull, vice-president of the Grayling Booster Club. Members of the team include M. Leader, T. Wakeley, J. Helsel, N. Miller, K. Helsel, T. Burns, K. Leader, J. Peterson, H. Tobin, H. Hatfield and B. Peterson. Their coach is Roger Hatfield.

Richard A. Benfield has been appointed as Data Processing supervisor at Bear Archery Division, Victor Comptometer Corporation, according to Alan E. Beatty, Bear executive vice president. Benfield replaces Ralph Stevens, recently appointed to the position of director of administrative service.

Benfield, his wife Virginia, and their children, Valerie, 19, Lisa, 16, and Doria, 13, live at 4960 Dawn Drive in the East Branch Estates. Lisa and Doria attend the Grayling High School and Valerie is employed at Mercy Hospital.

On Feb. 24, for the first time in over five years, the Grayling High School Band will compete in the District II Band Festival. The festival, held in Traverse City and Charlevoix, will include 26 different high schools, with several entering two bands.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lozon of Grayling, are the parents of a daughter, Rebecca Lynn, born on Feb. 6, and weighing 9 pounds, 11 ounces.

Nichole Ann Morrill is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Morrill of Grayling. The young lady made her appearance on Feb. 6, weighing in at 8 pounds, 2 ounces.

Advertised at the Black & White Market this week are Campbells chicken noodle soup, four cans for 49¢; Crisco, 3 pounds, 89¢; breaded ocean perch, 59¢ a pound; turkey drumsticks, 29¢ a pound; and Banquet pot pies, three for 49¢.

Friday, Feb. 16, 1973 has been designated as jacket night at the basketball game with Cheboygan. Come to the game, wear your jacket and show your support of your youth.

Jeff Kellogg, Twin Lakes, and John Buckley, Mt. Pleasant, crossed the finish line at Stephan Bridge one hour and 29 minutes after leaving Grayling at noon, Saturday. They were two minutes ahead of the second place team of Al Robinson, Trenton, and Jerry Kellogg, Twin Lakes.

### 46 years ago Feb. 16, 1950

The March of Dimes campaign is

nearing \$1,500, campaign director Willard Cornell announced today. There are still a few more collectors to hear from, he added.

George A. Griffith of Grayling, was appointed to the Michigan Conservation Commission by Governor G. Mennen Williams last Thursday, to fill a vacancy on the commission caused by the death of Andrew B. Champion of Cass City.

C. R. King (retired mail carrier) and Mrs. King, while on their first trip to Florida, unexpectedly rented a cabin next door to his brother, Walter, whom he hadn't seen in 57 years. The Kings are vacationing in St. Petersburg and did not know that brother Walter was in that city.

George Lodge fell into the basement and result is he is carrying his arm in a sling.

Ken Burkhardt is remodeling his home with a new front door and porch.

Birthday wishes this week go to Mrs. An O'Connor and Mrs. Clayton Kellogg. A joint surprise party was held for both at the home of Mrs. Jean Jackson. There were 21 guests present. Games were played and two dining tables centered with lovely birthday cakes and a delicious lunch were enjoyed.

The garage of Tom Wells was badly damaged by fire last Wednesday night at his home on Chestnut Street. Mr. Wells and his son-in-law were able, however, to put out the blaze without calling the fire department. Mr. Wells said he believed the fire started from a back flash from a small oil heater which had been turned off.

Try McEvers Motors brand new Alemite Atomic greasing the next time. This greasing equipment is one of the latest designs and ultra efficient.

Charles Robert Ryan, seaman U.S.N., of Grayling, is serving aboard the seaplane tender USS Norton Sound with the Pacific fleet. Ryan entered the Naval service in September 1944. Before entering the Navy, he attended Grayling High School.

Kip Papendick has received his discharge from the Navy after a year's service, and returned home Saturday. He is the son of the Eugene Papendicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lovely and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Papendick were in Ashley Sunday, where they attended the silver wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. Papendick's brother and wife, the Ed Papendicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Christenson of Mackinaw City, and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hendrie, spent Saturday with the Robert Bovees and celebrated

their 37th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rosin spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Milnes. Roy Milnes Jr., was also home from Sault Ste. Marie. The Rosins left Monday for Clovis, New Mexico, where Mr. Rosin, who is the property of Paul Dean, will play semi-professional baseball.

Al Madill spent several days last week in Detroit on business purchasing machinery and material for the new souvenir plant.

Bob Steckling has been busy putting up his ice, also Archie Feldhauser working with a crew putting up ice for different parties in Lovells.

### 69 years ago Feb. 17, 1927

An unfortunate accident occurred last Sunday at officers' hill when Henry Bradley and a party were sliding on a toboggan. The toboggan upset, throwing Mr. Bradley up against the ski jump breaking his leg.

The unexpected death of P. C. Peterson at Mercy Hospital yesterday, was a shock to his family and friends. He was born in Taaup Syn, Denmark, May 15, 1866, and came to this country 40 years ago, settling in Grayling two years later, where he has since resided.

Fake check artists are said to be working in Michigan again. The restaurant proprietor who agreed to cash no checks as long as the bank served no meals had the right idea.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Giegling entertained with a dinner Monday evening, the occasion being their second wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Schoonover moved the first of the week into their new home, the former Dr. Pool property, which they recently purchased.

Edward Gierke returned the first of the week from Akron, Ohio, where he had been taking a course in vulcanizing.

To the Feldhauser School east of Grayling, taught by Miss Hilda Hathorn, goes the honor of selling the most per capita, tuberculosis seals in any school in Crawford County. The pupils in the school who did the selling are Marguerite Feldhauser, Harriet Wakeley, Herbert Feldhauser, Roger Kneff and Norma Feldhauser.

### 94 years ago Feb. 20, 1902

Chas. Convent has started a new dry line thinking two might find enough to do in the village.

Fred Sleight has bought the house of Mrs. Joseph Patterson on Ogema Street, and will move in next week.

R. Hanson was called to Johannesburg Monday on account of the death of his brother's wife, Mrs. John Hanson.

Mrs. J. S. Jensen slipped on an icy walk last week Wednesday and fractured one of her limbs.

Bert Mitchell, the last of the band boys that joined Silver Brothers Circus about a year ago, returned home the beginning of the week.

The coveted silver tea set given by the Alpena Concert Co. of Alpena, to the most popular young lady, was awarded to Miss Bee Patterson of Frederic, who received 119,576 votes, which is pretty good for that small town.

### Editor's Quote Book

An expert is one who knows more and more about less and less.

Nicholas Murray Butler

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God. Ephesians 2:8

## LOCAL WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



**FIRE DANGER! ARE YOU KIDDING!--I guess Smokey can go back into hibernation for a while longer, because there won't be much chance of fire danger around here for a while.**

Date	High	Low	Precip.	Snow on ground
2/7	28	-2	0.01	17"
2/8	37	-3	0.05	16"
2/9	37	27	0.07	15"
2/10	35	30	0.10	18"
2/11	41	28	0.01	18"
2/12	24	24	0.13	18"
2/13	15	0	0.01	18"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday calls for cloudy skies, with a 60 percent chance of snow. The highs will be in the mid 20s. Thursday calls for snow showers, with the highs in the 20s, and the lows of 10 to 15. Friday will be colder with a chance of snow showers. The highs will be in the teens to around 20, with the lows of zero to 5 below. Saturday also calls for a chance of snow showers. The highs will be in the teens, with the lows of zero to 5 below.



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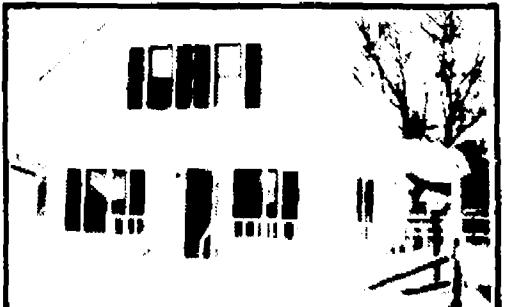


### TALKING HOUSE

**9183 N. LAKESHORE DRIVE - LAKE MARGRETHE** - This spacious, well cared for 2,200 sq. ft. home with 50' of frontage, offers three bedrooms, two full baths, large family room, two fireplaces, Andersen windows, doorways, two garages, plus a 16x20 log guest cabin. **REDUCED \$225,000. CS-219**



**SECLUDED FIVE ACRES OF HARDWOODS BEHIND SHERWOOD FOREST** - The home offers 1,580 sq. ft. of living space with an added bonus of 420 sq. ft. above the garage. Three bedrooms, two baths, vaulted ceilings, many built-in features. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer/dryer, satellite TV system and two wall A/Cs. Master bath with jacuzzi bathtub. Bonus room above the garage is rough plumbed for bath. Ideal area for computer/exercise/fourth bedroom or recreation room. Garage is 24x30 with a concrete apron 20x24. \$84,900. CH-333



**CHARMING OLDER HOUSE** - Three bedrooms, one bath, formal dining room, enclosed porch, covered porch, 8x10 shed and a nice 60x120 lot. Enjoy the city living, call us for an appointment to see this charming older home. \$43,500. CS-318



**SECLUDED ON THREE ACRES** - 1988 mobile with two bedrooms, two baths, includes stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer, A/C, vaulted ceilings, many built-in features, pitched shingled roof, full-length carport, large front and rear lawn, 10x13 screened porch, two sliding glass doors, garden area and on a private road. A 24x24 garage and a 20x20 lean-to. \$42,900. CH-332



**SEARCHING HIGH AND LOW FOR AN AFFORDABLE HOME?** See this .966 sq. ft. home in the CITY. Three bedrooms, one bath, natural gas heat. The electrical was updated in 1980, aluminum siding, fenced yard, large basement which is 10-block high with a utility room. \$39,500. CS-306



**UNIQUE!** When ordinary won't do! Five wooded acres on blacktop, minutes from town. 3/4 brs, two baths, cathedral ceilings w/skylights, master bedroom suite overlooking cedar hot-tub room. Full-finished basement, wrap-around covered porch, 2-car garage plus 26x40 pole barn. Many quality features, including all appliances with updated kitchen-baths, replacement windows. Call today!! \$94,950. CH-258



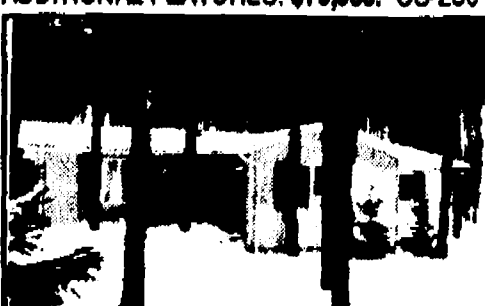
**INTERESTED IN NEW CONSTRUCTION?** This beautiful new home in Manistee River Woods offers 1,300 sq. ft., with an open floor plan, three bedrooms, two baths, vaulted ceilings in living room, dining room and kitchen. Hot water baseboard heat, vinyl windows, vinyl siding, 2-car finished garage and a 16x8 covered porch. \$78,000. CS-305



**ACREAGE with Blue Bear and Cranberry Lake Snowmobile Trails** off the front door. Beautiful 2.6 acres with 400' fronting on M-72 West. State land across road, close access to Bear & Cub Lakes. Two bedroom cottage-house, 22x34 pole barn, 12x22 bunk house, perfect storage for all your boats/snowmobiles. Immediate occupancy, priced right. **REDUCED \$35,900. CH-313**



**COUNTRY LIVING ON FIVE ACRES** - This spacious 1,900 sq. ft., cedar-sided home offers four bedrooms, two baths, family room, large utility room with built-in cabinets. New carpeting and oak kitchen cabinets. Two story pole barn with new furnace. **MANY ADDITIONAL FEATURES. \$79,900. CS-280**



**CLOSE ACCESS TO AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM** - Two-three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths with 1,280 sq. ft. of living space. Recently remodeled with quality attention to details. Custom kitchen/baths, track/recessed lighting, ceramic tile, new roof, siding and Pella windows. Appliances negotiable. Also includes a 12x60 mobile home, ideal for guest or rental house. \$79,900. CH-331

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**ADVERTISING DEADLINES:**  
**Regular Display** - 1/2 to full page, 5 pm Thursday. All other 5 pm Friday. **Classified Display** - 12 noon Monday. Classified by the word 12 noon Tuesday. These deadlines may change with notice due to holidays or special publication.

**1988 14X70 MOBILE HOME**  
Three bedrooms, two baths. Hartwick Pines Mobile Home Estates, \$17,500. 348-2454. -15-22-29/1

**EQUITAR MORTGAGE CORPORATION** New mortgages, refinancing, debt consolidations, contact Richard Brown, (517) 348-7355. 12/21/95u/1

**HAL SOUTHARD** AuSable and Manistee properties since 1940. Hal, broker 348-5965. 2/15/96t/1

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**CASH FOR LAND CONTRACTS**  
Top price. Local service. 1-800-626-5962. LR3/28/96/1

**NEWLY BUILT** Three bedroom home, attached garage, 1.5+ acres, \$58,000. 348-4840. -1-8-15-22/1

## 2. For Rent

**THREE BEDROOM HOME** Two blocks from town, large fenced yard, working couple. \$450/month, available after March 1st. Call 348-4962, after 5:00 pm. 2/8/96t/2

**ONE BEDROOM TRIPLEX** Ground floor, clean, new bath, nice neighbor, includes trash pick-up, snow removal, water, appliances. \$295 plus utilities, deposit, references. 808B Park Street, 348-2178. 2/1/96t/2

**A ROOF OVER YOUR HEAD** can always be found in the Avalanche For Rent Classifieds. (517) 348-6811

**AUSABLE APC HOME** has a private room available. Male or female welcome. Reasonable rates, (517) 348-7603. LR2/29/96/2

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**SKIERS/SNOWMOBILERS** Two bedroom cabin by Lake Margrethe. Call 348-7107. Available by day, week or month. LR3/28/96/2

**THREE BEDROOM HOME** at 208 Golf View, available March 1st, \$549. One bedroom apartment at 201 Fulton, \$340. Both well maintained and clean. Senior citizen and single person discount. Section 8 approved. References. Call Ron at Cornell Insurance, 348-6761. 2/8/96t/2

**OFFICE SPACE** plus secretarial area, both furnished. On Business Loop, parking, with sign available. \$250 per month, plus deposit. Includes utilities. Call 348-5433 or 348-8336. 11/2/95t/2

**ONE POSSIBLY TWO** bedroom apartment. Downtown Grayling. \$275 a month, plus security deposit. Available January 1. 348-2833. 12/21/95t/2

**CARPETED ROOMS** with kitchen privileges, reasonable, weekly or monthly. Spruce Motor Lodge, downtown Rosecommon. LR3/28/96/2

The Grayling Housing Commission has two one-bedroom apartments currently available for senior/disabled persons.

### Qualifications:

1. Must be 56 years of age or handicapped/disabled
2. Maximum income level of \$18,250 for 1 person
3. Maximum income level of \$20,850 for 2 persons

Call 517-348-9314 if you are interested, or stop by the Grayling Housing Commission, 308 Lawndale, Grayling, MI and pick up an application.

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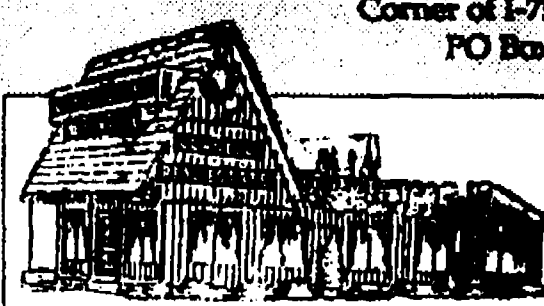
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**387' EAST BRANCH AUSABLE RIVER FRONTAGE** - 3.7 acres, 1,200 sq. ft., three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, extensive landscaping and nestled in the trees, attached 2-car garage. \$79,900. (LM-498)



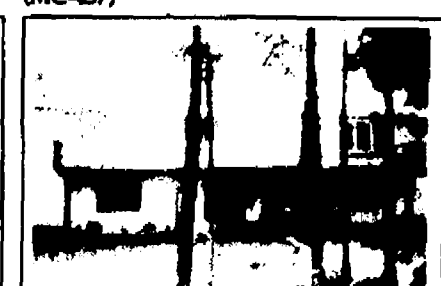
**AUSABLE RIVER HOME** - 2,288 sq. ft., oak cabinets and trim throughout, hi-tech heating system, four bedrooms, two baths, vinyl siding. Reduced to \$79,500 (LM-457)



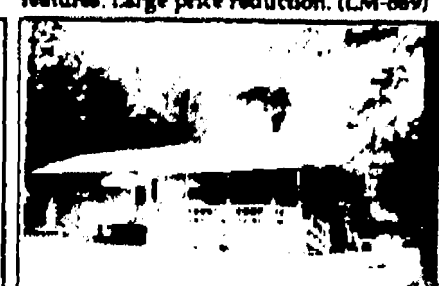
**544 FT. EAST BRANCH FRONTAGE** - 1,734 sq. ft. home-like new, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, attached garage, large deck and shed. Includes appliances. Lots of extra features. Large price reduction. (LM-869)



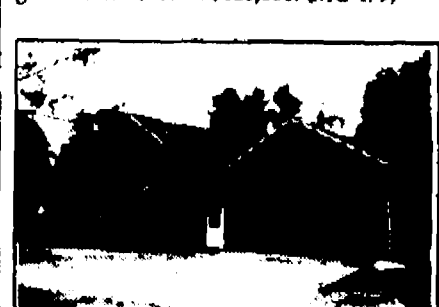
**AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM** - 3-level A-frame, four bedrooms, circular stairs, lower-level great room, 20x34 w/brick wall fireplace and woodburner insert, 12' doorwall, garage w/half bath, great view of river. \$125,900. (LM-479)



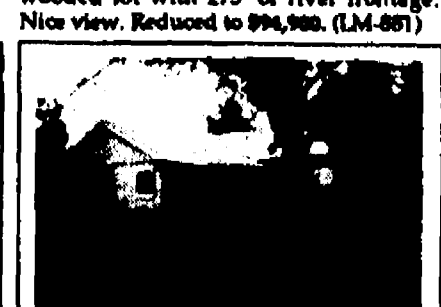
**NORTH BRANCH AUSABLE RIVER** - Three bedroom home, 1 1/2 baths, full-finished walk-out basement, 24x30 garage with blacktop drive, satellite dish, back up generator. Lots of extras, large wooded lot with 275' of river frontage. Nice view. Reduced to \$94,900. (LM-881)



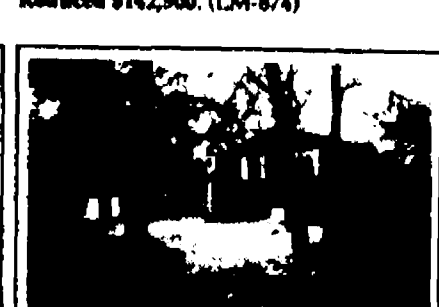
**AUSABLE - 180' frontage South Branch** - 4-bedroom home, two baths, garage with workshop & living quarters. 2nd garage with office. What a view, so many extras, you need to see this in person. \$175,500. Reduced \$142,500. (LM-874)



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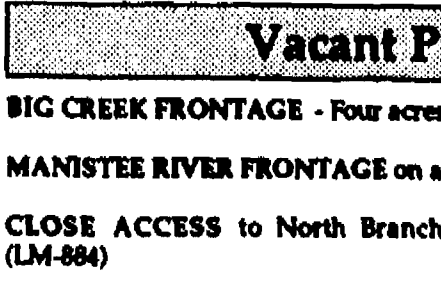


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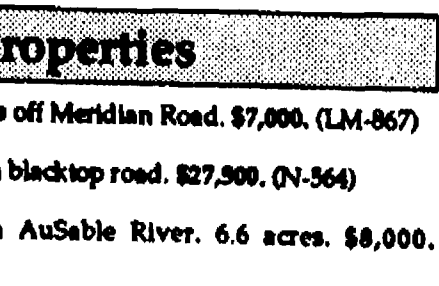
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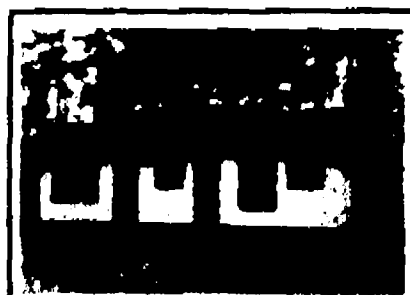
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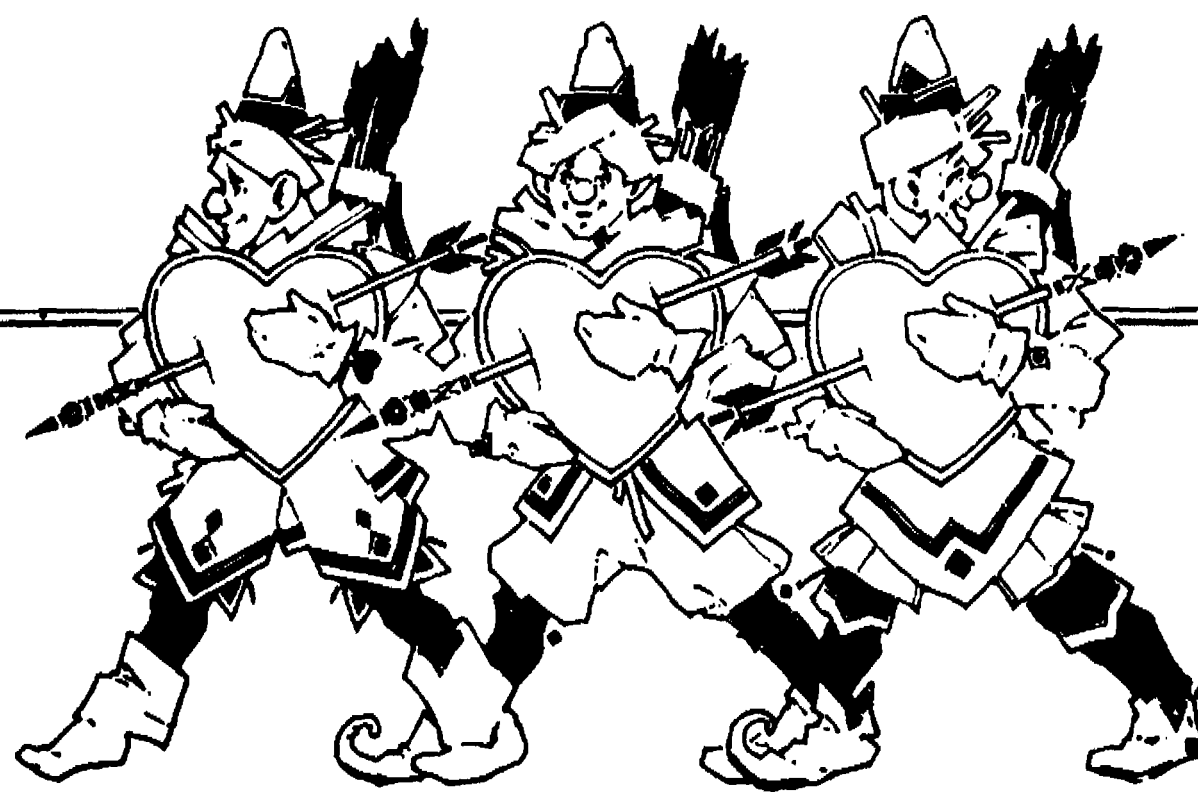


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that I fell in love with  
you. Happy Valentine's  
Day! - Linda

Martie:  
Happy Anniversary  
to my Valentine  
of 27 years  
Love,  
Fred

Happy Valentine's Day  
February 14th  
T.J. - Stef - & Amber  
All Our Love,  
Bestefar and Besterno

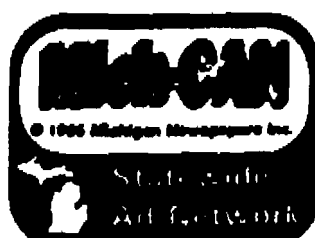
Happy Valentine's Day  
to our 3 little sweethearts  
Sarah  
Dave  
Bill  
Love,  
Mom & Dad

To Our Special Valentine's  
Jess & Jill  
Love, Mom & Dad

Happy Valentine's Day Grandma  
We love you!  
Steve & Jamie - Steve & Dana too!

Linda & Joel  
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I Love You - Terry

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